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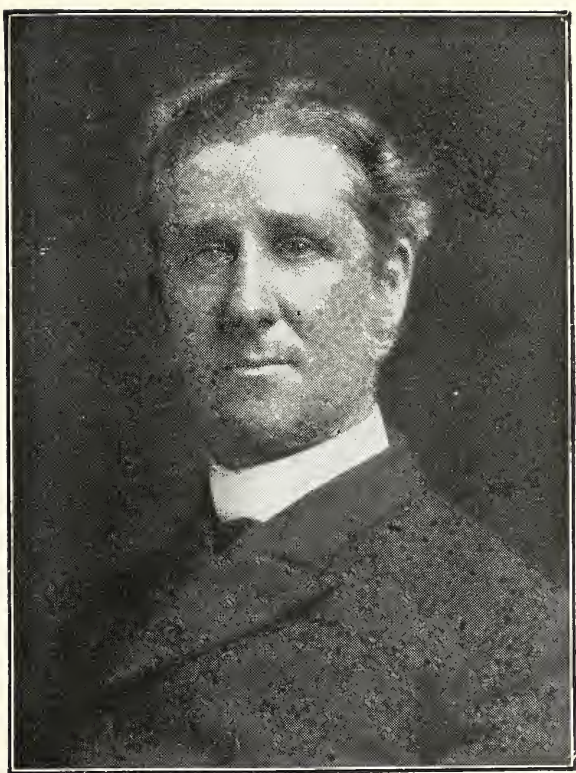
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## STANDING COMMITTEES 1927-28

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NOTE: The Chairman of each Standing Committee shall, at opening day of the Conference Session, present a report for consideration and adoption by his committee.

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**WORLD SERVICE:** Incorporating the following committees: American Bible Society, Conference Claimants, Foreign Missions, Home Missions and Church Extension, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and Woman's Home Missionary Society.

G. J. Cresswell, T. V. Peters, N. A. Conner, J. W. Boling, C. F. Lucas.

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**EDUCATION:** Including Colleges and Schools, Church Literature, Epworth Leagues, Sunday Schools, Education for Negroes.

J. M. Melear, D. B. Cooper, J. E. Milburn, J. M. Hampton, H. G. Williamson.

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**EVANGELISM:** R. M. Millard, B. M. Morrison, L. B. Clarke, W. R. Curtis, J. H. Ford.

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**SOCIAL SERVICE:** Includes Temperance and Prohibition, State of the Church and Country, Deaconess Work, Sabbath Observance.

I. G. Crowder, D. A. Spessard, R. E. Walker, C. B. Tarwater, W. M. Dye.

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**AUDITING COMMITTEE:** W. L. Pickering, I. B. Leonard, W. M. Bull.

**COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS:** J. W. Broyles, L. D. Hamill, T. V. Peters.

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**HISTORICAL COMMITTEE—**J. S. Burnett, J. M. Melear, G. T. Francisco.

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**CONFERENCE RELATIONS:** G. T. Francisco, W. L. Oliver, T. V. Peters, D. B. Cooper, J. E. Milburn, G. L. Shupe, C. V. Bellamy.

**COMMITTEE OF EQUALIZATION:** Of Traveling Expenses of the Pastors.

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W. M. Dye, F. H. Carey, Solon McNees, C. B. Tarwater, C. V. Bellamy, G. L. Shupe.



## CONFERENCE BOARDS

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### EDUCATION

- 1928—Chas. A. Briggs, H. C. Black, N. H. Cardwell, W. T. Huffine, J. E. Laningham, C. H. Taylor, I. N. Barnett.  
1929—R. H. Burkhart, C. E. Rogers, J. M. Emert, J. A. Mitchell, J. A. Fowler, W. L. Oliver, W. B. Townsend.
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### HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION

- MINISTERS: W. K. Harris, R. M. Millard, R. L. Stapleton, G. T. Francisco, J. W. Boling, C. A. Briggs, R. A. Kilburn, J. H. Ford, R. C. Elzey, Cicero Dobbs, F. D. Watson, J. M. Emert.  
LAYMEN: J. L. Earley, F. W. Biddle, W. B. Townsend, M. S. Roberts, A. H. Rule, T. D. Huffine, E. M. Rupe, S. B. LaRue, W. I. Marshall.
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### FOREIGN MISSIONS

- DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS.  
DISTRICT EPWORTH PRESIDENTS.  
DISTRICT MISSIONARY SECRETARIES.  
LAYMEN: Herman Feger, J. F. Register, J. C. Burchfield, Mrs. B. S. Pouder, Mrs. S. H. Thompson.
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### DEACONESS

- One Year—W. T. Smith, O. R. Tarwater, Mrs. B. M. Martin.
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### CONFERENCE BOARD OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

H. G. WILLIAMSON, Director.  
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District Superintendents

Claude Martin, J. F. Reed, J. Fred Rowe, Walter A. Smith, E. O. Woodyard.

#### Officers

Arlo A. Brown, Chairman; C. E. Rogers, Vice-Chairman; H. G. Williamson, Secretary; Mrs. Christine Wilson, Treasurer.

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### INCORPORATORS

G. T. Francisco, Pres.; R. L. Stapleton, Sec'y; M. C. Bruner, Treas.; J. S. Burnett, J. M. Melear, J. W. Boling, W. K. Harris.

## CHURCH LOCATION

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BRISTOL DISTRICT—Superintendent, D. B. Cooper, N. A. Conner, W. K. Harris, J. E. Laningham, J. M. Meyers, E. M. Rupe.

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT—Superintendent, Chas. A. Briggs, Z. W. Wheeland, E. S. Petty, G. F. Lockmiller, F. D. Watson, L. D. Hamil.

HARRIMAN DISTRICT—Superintendent, T. V. Peters, E. R. Branam, Solon McNees, John Robinson, M. Stowers, C. S. Hicks.

JOHNSON CITY DISTRICT—Superintendent, O. R. Tarwater, T. H. Conner, G. W. Matney, H. C. Black, J. A. Pouder, R. H. Burkhart.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT—Superintendent, G. T. Francisco, H. M. Hawk, G. J. Creswell, W. O. Whittle, W. I. Marshall, A. H. Rule.

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## COMMITTEE ON GENERAL CONFERENCE MEMORIALS

J. W. Boling, W. L. Oliver, E. R. Branam, H. M. Hawk, W. K. Harris.

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## STEWARDS

ONE YEAR—G. W. Matney, J. M. Emert, G. T. Francisco.

TWO YEAR—W. K. Harris, H. M. Hawk, B. M. Morrison.

THREE YEAR—G. S. Bales, T. V. Peters, W. M. Dye.

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## TO PREACH MISSIONARY SERMON

R. A. Kilburn. J. W. Broyles, Alternate

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## TO GIVE THE MEMORIAL ADDRESS

W. M. Dye.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF PREACHERS' AID SOCIETY  
HOLSTON CONFERENCE  
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

**Terms of Office**

**Term expires in**

<b>MINISTERS</b>	{	1928, W. L. Oliver.
		1929, O. R. Tarwater.
		1930, R. L. Stapleton.
		1931, H. M. Hawk.
		1932, M. C. Bruner.
<b>LAYMEN</b>	{	1928, W. B. Townsend, J. H. Jarvis.
		1929, J. A. Grigsby, W. S. Harkness.
		1930, G. F. Lockmiller, J. W. Fisher.

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**TRUSTEES OF TENNESSEE WESLEYAN COLLEGE**

To serve one year: R. D. Bayless, J. Rollo Emert, C. H. Vestal.

To serve two years: S. C. Brown, J. M. Melear, C. E. Rogers.

To serve three years: D. A. Bolton, W. N. Knox, W. L. Humphrey.

## CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

### FIRST DAY

#### Morning Session

The Holston Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church met for its eighty-fourth session in the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Knoxville, Tenn., at 8:30 a. m., Oct. 19, 1927, Bishop Wilbur P. Thirkield, presiding. Scripture Reading calling to worship was read responsively by Minister and People. Conference sang hymn No. 207 and united with Bishop Thirkield in the Meditation—"Wesley's Advice on Deportment at Conference". Bishop Thirkield led in prayer, concluded with Congregational Prayer for the Conference Session. Hymns 197 and 560 were sung, Bishop R. J. Cooke led in Responsive Reading from the Psalter and Bishop Thirkield read as the new Testament Lesson, a part of the Second Chapter of Philippians. The Conference Hymn of Consecration was sung and the Bishop read the Ten Commandments, the Congregation led by the Conference Choir joining in Choral Response.

**Holy Communion.** The Bishop, assisted by Bishop Cooke, the District Superintendents, J. F. Reed, W. A. Smith, J. F. Rowe, E. O. Woodyard and W. C. Martin, and R. M. Millard, pastor of the local church, administered the Holy Communion, using the ritual of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

**Memorial Service.** In keeping with the custom of the conference, the Memorial Service for Conference Members and wives of ministers who had died during the year was held at the close of the Communion Service. Fitting Memorial Address was given by H. M. Hawk in memory of J. K. Rumburg, J. D. Robeson, Mrs. J. M. Melear and Mrs. G. W. Coleman. The congregation joined in singing hymn 430—"For All the Saints Who From Their Labor Rest."

**Bishop's Address.** Ministers and visitors listened to a helpful and uplifting address by the Bishop on, "The Annual Conference a Mount of Vision."

**Deceased Members.** The secretary of the last conference called the roll of deceased members, while the conference stood as a mark of respect to Brother J. K. Rumburg and Brother J. D. Roberson who had died during the year.

**Roll Call.** The Conference Roll was called and S. P. Angel, G. S. Bales, C. V. Bellamy, J. T. Bird, J. W. Boling, E. L. Bowyer, E. M. Boyd, C. A. Briggs, A. A. Brown, J. W. Broyles, E. R. Branam, M. C. Bruner, W. M. Bull, J. F. Coldwell, N. H. Cardwell, G. W. Coleman, N. A. Conner, R. J. Cooke, D. B. Cooper, G. J. Creswell, J. O. Cox, I. L. Cox, I. G. Crowder, J. L. Cupp, W. R. Curtis, M. N. Davenport, J. M. Dew, Cicero Dobbs, W. M. Dye, S. N. Eblen, C. H. Ely, R. C. Elzey, J. M. Emert, J. H. Ford, G. T. Francisco, J. F. Giles, E. G. Gillespie, W. M. Greer, T. E. Goodman, M. F. Goss, W. S. Grant, L. D. Hamil, J. M. Hampton, J. D. Harris, W. K. Harris, H. M. Hawk, S. A.

Hopper, R. M. Huff, Dewey Jenkins, D. L. Jones, S. G. Ketron, A. C. Ketron, R. A. Kilburn, C. L. Kirby, O. A. Lawson, I. B. Leonard, R. L. Leslie, C. F. Lucas, T. O. Marshall, W. C. Martin, G. W. Matney, Solon McNeese, J. E. Milburn, J. M. Melear, R. M. Millard, J. A. Mitchell, M. M. Moore, B. M. Morrison, M. P. Murphy, J. H. Meyers, E. H. Ogle, W. L. Oliver, E. M. Pippin, W. L. Pickering, W. F. Pitts, W. H. Ragan, M. H. Rambo, J. F. Reed, W. E. O. Robeson, G. R. Rowan, J. F. Rowe, C. N. Sadler, F. P. Sanders, G. L. Shupe, M. L. Sivils, W. A. Smith, R. L. Stapleton, J. S. Strange, E. N. Tarpley, C. B. Tarwater, O. R. Tarwater, C. H. Taylor, H. M. Torrey, R. E. Walker, F. D. Watson, G. W. Woodward, E. O. Woodyard, W. D. Wilkinson, H. G. Williamson, and W. C. Winslow answered to their names. Number of conference members answering roll call—100.

**Probationers.** The names of probationers were called and the following answered to their names—J. M. Ball, Cranston Clayton, W. H. Johnson, H. W. McDonald, W. L. Russell, D. A. Spessard, and E. C. Trentham—7.

**Organization of Conference.** The organization of the conference was taken up and O. R. Tarwater was re-elected secretary. He nominated as his assistants, C. B. Tarwater and J. M. Emert and they were elected by the conference. It was announced that C. H. Taylor was elected last year as statistical secretary of this conference and he nominated as his assistants, R. C. Elzey, W. M. Greer, S. N. Eblen, E. H. Ogle, and Cicero Dobbs. They were elected by the conference.

Announcement was made that W. F. Pitts was elected last year as treasurer of this conference and he nominated as his assistants, W. R. Curtis, W. E. Bishop, W. C. Winslow, G. J. Creswell, and A. B. McKenzie. On motion of W. F. Pitts they were elected. W. D. Wilkison was elected Postmaster and N. H. Cardwell Agent for the Methodist Review.

**Bar of Conference.** The bar of the conference was fixed to include the first eight rows of pews in the church auditorium.

**Conference Program.** The printed program was adopted as the Official Program of the conference.

**Resolution.**—W. M. Dye introduced a resolution sending greetings to Bishop W. F. McDowell and expressing sympathy because of the illness which prevented his presiding over this session of Holston Conference. The resolution was adopted and the secretary of the conference instructed to convey its message to Bishop McDowell. Further resolution was read by W. M. Dye expressing the pleasure of the conference in extending welcome to Bishop Thirkield, Resident Bishop of the Chattanooga Area, as President of the Conference. The secretary putting the question, the resolution was unanimously adopted by standing vote.

**Bishop Cooke.** On motion of R. L. Stapleton, Bishop Richard J. Cooke was granted the privilege of the floor throughout the conference sessions.



**Resolution.** A resolution was presented by W. M. Dye and read by the secretary requesting the appointment of a committee to consider the question of Equalization of ministers' expenses in attending the Annual Conference. After discussion the motion was passed and the following committee was appointed with instructions to report Friday morning. W. M. Dye, Chm., F. H. Carey, Solon McNees, C. B. Tarwater, C. V. Bellamy and G. L. Shupe.

**Committee On Conference Relations.** On nomination of the cabinet, the committee on conference relations was elected for this conference as follows, G. T. Francisco, Chm., W. L. Oliver, T. V. Peters, D. B. Cooper, J. E. Milburn, R. C. Elzey and F. D. Watson.

**District Superintendents' Composite Report.** Instead of following the custom of reporting for each of their districts the District Superintendents presented a composite report which was read by W. C. Martin and heard with interest by the conference.

**Question 1.** (a) Is this Conference Incorporated According to the Requirements of the Discipline. Ans. It is.

(b) What Officers and Persons holding Moneys, Funds, etc., are Bonded, and in what amounts, according to the Requirements of the Discipline? Ans. G. F. Lockmiller, Treasurer Preachers' Aid Society for \$45,000.00.

**Question 26.** Who are the retired ministers? The roll of the retired ministers was taken up and the names of J. H. Amis, S. P. Angel, W. S. Bandy, T. W. Brown, M. C. Bruner, J. W. Cardwell, P. L. Clonce and G. W. Coleman were called and opportunity given those present to address the conference.

On motion of E. O. Woodyard conference voted to take up election of delegates to General Conference after reception of the class into full membership.

**Drafts.** The Bishop announced the receipt of a draft for \$40.00 from the Chartered Fund and a draft for \$1415. from the Book Concern. Conference received these with thanks and ordered that they be placed in the hands of the conference treasurer.

After the announcements, conference adjourned with the benediction by G. W. Coleman.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

Conference convened at 2 p. m. and listened to the Missionary Sermon by Dr. Charles A. Briggs, who brought to ministers and visitors a strong and timely message on "The Modern Missionary Motive."

At 2:45 conference met in Statistical Session and after the singing of hymn 654 the Bishop called by districts for pastors' statistical reports.

Question 26 was resumed and the names of the retired ministers, T. J. Crumley, M. N. Davenport, J. F. Giles, W. S. Grant, C. D.

Houchins, A. H. Ingle, S. G. Ketron, D. T. Lawson, R. L. Leslie, C. W. Miller, H. W. McKenzie, A. A. Newman, James Osborne, L. A. Rominger, A. M. Rose, G. R. Rowman, C. N. Sadler, J. S. Strange, E. C. Thurston, H. M. Torrey, J. T. Ware and E. J. Winkler were called. The secretary was instructed to send greetings to P. L. Clonce and E. J. Winkler, detained from attending conference on account of illness. The characters of all the retired ministers were passed and they were recommended to the Board of Pensions and Relief.

There being no further business, conference adjourned to meet at 3:30, the brethren, laymen and visitors gathering at that hour and hearing a masterful address on "The Evangelistic Preacher" by Dr. F. Watson Hannon, Professor of Homiletics, Drew Theological Seminary.

## SECOND DAY

Conference convened at 8:30 a. m. with Bishop Thirkield in the chair. Led by the conference choir, conference joined in the hearty singing of hymns 32, 409, 385, 533 and 410. The Bishop delivered a strong and searching address on "The Minister and His Motive."

**Journal.** The journal of the previous day's sessions was read by the secretary and approved by the conference.

**Special Committee.** At the suggestion of Bishop Cooke and on motion of S. A. Hopper conference voted to request that a committee be appointed to carry the greetings and sympathy of the conference to Mrs. J. J. Robinette, widow of Dr. J. J. Robinette, deceased member of the conference. The Bishop appointed on the committee, J. M. Melear, G. T. Francisco, R. L. Stapleton and Bishop Cooke.

**Commisson From Central Tennessee.** Rev. H. P. Keathly, Rev. W. A. Sharp and Dr. Upperman, appointed by the Central Tennessee Conference as a Commission on Unification with Holston Conference were presented by the Bishop. It was announced that R. L. Stapleton, W. A. Smith, F. D. Watson, W. L. Oliver and W. L. Pickering are members of a similar Commission from Holston Conference.

**Question 6.** Who have been continued on trial? The characters of George E. Blancherd, Henry W. McDonald, John L. Chaney, William C. Daniel and David A. Spessard were passed and they were continued on trial in studies of first year. The character of Eulys C. Trentham was passed and he was advanced to studies of the second year. The character of Cranston Clayton was passed and he was advanced to studies of second year, conditioned on one subject.

**Question 10.** What Members are in studies of Fourth Year? The characters of William E. Bishop, Moses F. Goss, Daniel L. Jones and Isaac G. Crowder, were passed and they were advanced to studies of 4th year. The characters of William R. Curtis and Mark M. Moore were passed and they were continued in studies of third year. Walter H. Treuschel and Chas. G. Wrenn were referred to the committee on Conference Relations.

**Question 3.** Who have been readmitted. None.

**Question 4.** Who have been received on credentials? None.

**Question 8.** Who have been admitted into full membership. The characters of James M. Ball, Willis H. Johnson, J. Oliver Lawson and Walter L. Russell were passed, they were admitted to full membership in the conference, elected to Deacons Orders and placed in studies of third year. Otha C. Nichols was discontinued.

**Question 11.** Who have completed the conference course of study? William H. Coffee was automatically located by the ten year rule, having been given notice of location at the last conference. Thomas O. Marshall, John H. Meyers and Walter L. Pickering were graduated from the course of study, and elected to Elders Orders. Elbert G. Gillespie was continued in studies of the fourth year.

**Question 17.** Who have died? J. K. Rumburg and J. D. Roberson.

Questions 18, 20, 21, 22 and 23 were asked and properly answered. (See Disciplinary Report.)

**Question 16.** Who have been transferred? W. H. Newton to Alabama.

**Election of Delegates to General Conference.** The order of the day was taken up and N. A. Conner, R. L. Stapleton, Solon McNees, I. B. Leonard, C. B. Tarwater, and H. M. Hawk were appointed tellers for the election of delegates to the General Conference. Members were requested to come within the bar of the conference and after instructions had been given the first ballot was taken. Tellers reported as the result of this ballot—number of ballots cast 104; defective ballots, 2; necessary to choice 52. O. R. Tarwater received 57 votes and was elected a delegate to the General Conference. J. F. Reed received 54 votes and was elected a delegate to the General Conference. A. A. Brown received 50 votes, J. M. Melear 42, R. M. Millard 24, R. L. Stapleton 18, W. L. Oliver 9, G. T. Francisco 7, W. A. Smith 6.

**Second Ballot**—A second ballot was taken with the following result, number of ballots cast 96. Defective ballots 1. Necessary to choice, 48. A. A. Brown received 50 votes and was elected a delegate to the General Conference. J. M. Melear received 31 votes, R. M. Millard 7, R. L. Stapleton 2, W. C. Martin 2.

On motion of the secretary, the election of reserve delegates was made the order of the day after the reading of the Journal Friday morning.

**Question 40.** Where shall the next conference be held? Cleo Burchfield, a layman from Sevierville, extended to the conference a cordial invitation to meet at Sevierville, next year. Further words of invitation were spoken by J. T. Bird, pastor at Sevierville and on motion duly made seconded and carried, the conference voted to meet at Sevierville in 1928.



**Question 28.**—Who are appointed triers of appeals? C. A. Briggs, O. R. Tarwater, B. M. Morrison, J. H. Ford, H. M. Hawk; Reserves, T. V. Peters, W. M. Dye.

**Introductions.** Dr. Frank Y. Jackson, pastor of Magnolia Ave. Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was introduced to the conference. Dr. Gettys, a member of the Nebraska Conference, was introduced and spoke in behalf of the Board of Pension and Relief, presenting to the conference a draft for \$900.00 from the board. Dr. F. W. Mueller was introduced and spoke of the work of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. Dr. R. J. Wade, representing the World Service Commission, was introduced and addressed the conference.

**Products of the Book Concern.** Bishop Thirkield recommended to the ministers a number of the books on display in the Book Room and presented Bishop Cooke, who addressed the Conference on the literature of the church.

**Inspirational Hour.** After the singing of a number of great hymns, the Bishop introduced as the speaker of the hour, Dr. Henry H. Crane, Pastor of Centre Methodist Episcopal Church, Malden, Mass. Ministers and visitors were deeply impressed by the gripping and vital message of Dr. Crane on "The Wonder of the Word."

Conference adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Cooke.

### THIRD DAY

#### Morning Session

Conference convened at the usual hour and united in the singing of hymns 329, 259, 260 and 458. Bishop Thirkield led in appropriate prayer for the choir and congregation joining in the worship of song. Ministers, laymen and visitors were deeply impressed by the devotional message of the Bishop who spoke on, "The Hymnal as First Aid in Evangelism".

**Journal.** The Journal of the preceding day's session was read by the secretary and approved by the conference.

**Question 11.** Who have completed the Conference Course of Study? On motion of the chairman of the committee on Conference Relations, Perry B. James was graduated from the course of study and elected to Elders Orders. Announcement was made that Solon McNees and William E. O. Robeson had been previously elected to Elders Orders by Holston Conference and will be ordained at this conference.

**Order of the Day.** The order of the day was taken up and conference proceeded to vote for two reserve delegates to General Conference. The report of the tellers showed that no one had been elected on the first ballot. A second ballot was taken with the following result; total votes cast, 84; defective, 1; necessary to choice 42. J. M. Melear received 57 votes and was elected first reserve delegate to

General Conference. R. M. Millard received 48 votes and was elected second reserve delegate to the General Conference.

**Question 5.** Who have been received on trial? Carl R. Athearn, George W. Atkinson, Frederic E. Denton, Rupert R. Ghormley, Charles Holliday, Frank C. Smathers and Enos Wagner, having been duly recommended, having passed satisfactorily the required examination and having answered the disciplinary questions, were received on trial and placed in studies of first year.

**Question 8.** On recommendation of the Committee on Conference Relations, Thomas H. Roach was elected to Deacons Orders to be ordained elsewhere, conditioned on his completion of the Course of Study satisfactory to the Board of Examiners of the Newark Conference.

**Question 15.** The Bishop called for the Effective Elders of the Conference by Districts, these groups were requested to stand and inquiry was made for anything that had been alleged against the character of any of these members of the conference. It was reported that there was nothing against any of these brethren and their characters were passed. Conference joined in singing, "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow."

**Introductions.** Dr. J. C. Eckles, a member of the North-East Ohio Conference, was introduced by the Bishop. Dr. Judson S. Hill, a member of the East Tennessee Conference, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

The Bishop introduced Dr. Clarence True Wilson, Secretary of the Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals. Conference listened with deep interest to a stirring address from Dr. Wilson on Prohibition. A special resolution on the subject was read by W. M. Dye and referred to the committee on Temperance.

**Reports.** The report of the Committee on Education was read by the chairman, Dr. Melear and approved by the conference. The report of the committee on Equalization of Ministers' fares to Annual Conference was read by W. M. Dye and approved by the conference by a standing vote, 37 to 0.

A committee on General Conference Memorials was announced and a number of memorials referred to the committee.

**Bishop Cooke in Chair.** Bishop Cooke was called to the chair and presented to the Conference, Dr. Henry Crane who brought to a large and appreciative audience a soul stirring message on "The Marks of a Christian".

Conference adjourned with the benediction by Dr. Bovard.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

At 2 p. m. ministers, laymen and women of the Missionary societies of the Conference gathered for what had been announced as

Thirkield Hour, the entire gathering uniting to pay a tribute of love and esteem to Bishop and Mrs. Wilbur Thirkield. After the worship of song, Dr. Charles A. Briggs led in prayer. Rev. W. C. Martin introduced Mrs. Christine Wilson who spoke briefly and introduced Mrs. C. V. Biddle, whose words of appreciation were spoken in connection with the presentation to Mrs. Thirkield of a beautiful bouquet of roses. Fitting response was made by Mrs. Thirkield.

J. M. Hampton and Charles A. Briggs sang a duet, bringing as an impressive message in song, "Jesus Leads".

Dr. A. A. Brown spoke for the ministers, presenting a gift to Bishop Thirkield in their behalf. Mr. A. M. Hill spoke briefly and introduced Col. W. B. Townsend, who expressed to Bishop and Mrs. Thirkield the esteem of the laymen of the Conference and presented a gift from the Laymen's Association. Bishop Thirkield responded in appropriate words, expressing gratitude for the love and sympathy manifested and exalting the Cross of Christ which draws Christian hearts together in loving fellowship and sacrificial service.

At 3:30 p. m. conference convened to hear the message of Dr. J. R. Gettys on the Proposed Pension Plan of the Board of Pensions and Relief. General discussion followed the address by Dr. Gettys and a memorial on the subject was presented by G. T. Francisco and referred to the Committee on General Conference Memorials. Conference adjourned with the benediction by M. C. Bruner.

## FOURTH DAY

### Morning Session

Conference convened at the usual hour and joined in singing hymn 654, followed by the Apostles' Creed and prayer led by Dr. Rall. Undergraduates and graduates from the Conference Course of Study were present in a body and listened to addresses by Dr. Harris Franklin Rall, of Garret Biblical Institute and Dr. Allan MacRossie, Secretary of Commission on Course of Study. Bishop Thirkield delivered the address to the class coming into full membership in the conference, and, after the Disciplinary Questions had been asked and satisfactory answers given, extended to the class the right hand of fellowship, in behalf of the conference. Those received into full membership were, James M. Ball, Willis H. Johnson, J. Oliver Lawson and Walter L. Russell.

**Graduates.** The registrar, N. H. Cardwell, presented to the Bishop the graduating class, consisting of Thomas O. Marshall, Walter L. Pickering, John H. Meyers and Richard H. Thames. They were awarded their diplomas by Bishop Thirkield.

**Question 2.** Who have been received by transfer? L. B. Clarke from Florida and Richard B. Thames from Alabama.

Richard B. Thames was graduated from the Course of Study and elected to Elders' Orders.

**Journal.** The Journal of the preceding day's sessions was read by the secretary and approved by the conference.

On motion of M. C. Bruner, L. B. Clarke was restored to membership in the Preachers' Aid Society.

**Adjournment.** On motion of A. A. Brown it was voted that, on condition that the business had been finished, conference stand adjourned with the reading of the appointments on Sunday evening.

At his own request, W. A. Graybeal was granted leave of absence for the year and the secretary was instructed to send him a message of sympathy in the illness suffered by a member of his family.

**Question 32.** Conference treasurer, W. F. Pitts, read his report, which was adopted by the conference. (See report.)

On motion of W. F. Pitts, conference voted to adhere strictly to the requirement of the discipline next year in requiring pastors to hand in their reports on the first day of the conference.

W. F. Pitts moved that the District Superintendents be requested to include in their District Conference programs a study of the question of properly preparing pastor's reports to Annual Conference. The motion was adopted.

**Question 26.** On motion made at their own request, J. D. Harris and J. M. Emert were granted the retired relation. A motion expressing appreciation for their years of service was introduced by Dr. G. T. Francisco and approved by the conference.

**Commission On Unification.** For the Commission on Unification with the Central Tennessee Conference, R. L. Stapleton read a report recommending that we memorialize the General Conference to pass an enabling act making possible the uniting of the two conferences. The motion to adopt the report was discussed by G. T. Francisco, E. M. Pippin, Bishop Cooke and W. M. Dye. H. P. Keathly, from Central Tennessee Conference, was granted the privilege of the floor and addressed the conference. The motion to adopt the report was called for, the vote was taken and the report was not adopted.

**Report.** The report of the Conference Board of Education was read by W. F. Pitts. Conference voted to take up each item of the report separately. Item I was adopted after discussion; on motion of J. M. Melear, the action of the conference was reconsidered and the subject was further discussed by Bishop Cooke. On motion duly made, seconded and carried item I was adopted.

R. M. Millard moved that conference adjourn to meet in executive session with the trustees of Tennessee Wesleyan College invited to be present at 2 p. m. The motion was adopted and after the announcements conference adjourned to meet at 2 p. m.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

Conference convened in executive session at 2 p. m. Hymns 19 and 180 were sung and Bishop Thirkield led in prayer. Further dis-



cussion of the report of the Board of Education was taken up and addresses made by Bishop Thirkield, Bishop Cooke and Dr. Bovard. The courtesy of the floor was extended to the trustees of Tennessee Wesleyan College, and Murphy Collegiate Institute. Items 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the report were read and adopted. Item 6 of the report was amended so as to omit reference to a Bible Institute and to chairs named in honor of individuals. The item was adopted as amended. Item 7 was adopted. Item 8, which refers to Murphy Collegiate Institute, was discussed by Dr. Davee, president of the institution and by Col. W. B. Townsend. Item 8 was adopted and, on motion duly made seconded and carried, the report was adopted as a whole. (See report printed in conference journal.)

In accordance with the provision of the charter, the election of nine trustees of Tennessee Wesleyan College was taken up, and, on motion of the secretary, the following were elected: to serve one year, R. D. Bayless, J. Rollo Emert, C. H. Vestal; to serve two years, S. C. Brown, J. M. Melear, C. E. Rogers; to serve three years, D. A. Bolton, W. N. Knox and W. L. Humphrey.

On motion of C. A. Briggs, the executive session adjourned.

A. A. Brown introduced a resolution concerning the formation of a Conference Board of Religious Education. The resolution was adopted. (See resolution.)

W. F. Pitts moved that the District Superintendents be requested to follow the provisions of the discipline in bringing to the attention of the various churches, the question of the moving expenses of the pastors. The motion was adopted.

**Question 31.** The report of the statistician was read by Cicero Dobbs and was adopted by the conference. (See statistician's report.)

**Question 25.** Who are the supernumerary preachers? C. J. Bornman and W. H. Treuschel were continued in the supernumerary relation.

**Corporate Session.** On motion of G. T. Francisco, conference went into corporate session. A brief verbal report was given by M. C. Bruner. There being no further business, the corporate session adjourned.

**Preachers' Aid.** A meeting of the Preachers' Aid Society was called and the election of trustees brought before the body. On motion of R. M. Millard, the secretary of the conference was instructed to cast the vote of the conference for the re-election of the retiring members of the Board and they were re-elected as follows: Minister, M. C. Bruner; Laymen, G. F. Lockmiller and J. W. Fisher.

**Reports of Committees.** The Committee on Social Service presented its report which was ordered printed in the Journal without being read. Reports of other standing committees were ordered printed in the conference journal without being read. This action was taken following the reading and amending of the report on Temperance, which was adopted as amended. (See printed reports.)

**Introductions.** Dr. George C. Douglass, Publishing Agent of the Book Concern and Dr. Samuel W. Robinson, Associate Secretary of the Board of Hospitals and Homes were introduced and addressed the conference.

Bishop Cooke asked that he be excused from making the Ordination Address on Sunday afternoon. By common consent the request was granted and Bishop Thirkield asked Dr. Douglass to speak in his stead.

**Conference Journal.** On motion duly made, seconded and carried, conference adopted the journal for the day without further reading, requesting that it be edited and printed by the secreatry, his assistants and W. C. Martin. The Journal for the entire session was adopted and made the official record of the conference.

**Adjournment.** It was moved by R. L. Stapleton that conference adjourn, subject to the Ordination of Deacons and Elders on Sunday afternoon, after the reading of the appointments Sunday evening. The motion was adopted and conference adjourned with the benediction by Dr. Douglass.

## FIFTH DAY

### Conference Sunday

#### Love Feast

At 9:30 a. m., conference members and visitors in large numbers gathered for the Conference Love Feast, which was conducted by Rev. M. C. Bruner. Song, prayer, testimony and the presence of the Holy Spirit brought a season of refreshing from the presence of the Lord.

#### Morning Worship

At 10:30 a. m. a congregation overflowing the spacious auditorium of First Church assembled for the regular morning worship Bishop Thirkield used as a text, Phil. 3:10, "That I may know Him and the power of His Resurrection." Presenting the theme "Knowing about Christ and Knowing Him", he brought to the congregation a forceful and deeply spiritual message which carried help and inspiration to all.

#### Ordination Service

Promptly at 3 o'clock, Bishop Thirkield, Bishop Cooke, Dr. Douglass, conference secretary, registrar, chairman of committee on Conference Relations, the District Superintnedents and the candidates for ordination marched into the church auditorium in Academic Procession. Bishop Thirkield ordained as Deacons, James M. Ball, Willis H. Johnson, J. Oliver Lawson and Walter L. Russell. The Bishop assisted by Bishop Cooke, the District Superintendents and Elders, ordained as Elders, Perry B. James, Thomas O. Marshall, Solon McNees, John H. Meyers, Walter L. Pickering, William E. O. Roberson and Richard H. Thames. The Ordination Address was delivered

by Dr. George C. Douglass, Publishing Agent of the Methodist Book Concern.

**Reading of Appointments and Final Adjournment**

At the evening hour of worship an Epworth League Rally brought together a large congregation of young people, ministers and laymen, who listened with appreciation to addresses by Dr. W. E. J. Gratz and Dr. Stanley High. At the close of these addresses Bishop Thirkield addressed the conference, read the appointments and pronounced the benediction.

*Wilbur P. Thirkield*

President.

*Oliver R. Jarwater*

Secretary.

## **CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION**

This is to certify that on the 23rd day of October, 1927,  
I ordained, under election by the Holston Conference of the  
Methodist Episcopal Church, the following persons, as:

### **Elders**

PERRY B. JAMES  
THOMAS O. MARSHALL  
SOLON McNEES  
JOHN H. MEYERS  
WALTER L. PICKERING  
WILLIAM E. O. ROBESON  
RICHARD H. THAMES

### **Deacons**

JAMES M. BALL  
WILLIS H. JOHNSON  
J. OLIVER LAWSON  
WALTER L. RUSSELL  
BISHOP WILBUR P. THIRKIELD,  
Presiding Bishop

Done at Knoxville, Tennessee.



## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

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The Holston Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, held in Knoxville, Tenn., from October 19 to October 23, 1927. Bishop Wilbur P. Thirkield, presiding; Secretary, O. R. Tarwater, Johnson City, Tenn.; Statistician, C. H. Taylor, Oakdale, Tenn.; Treasurer, W. F. Pitts, Knoxville, Tenn.; Registrar, N. H. Cardwell, Morristown, Tenn.

1. (a) Is this Annual Conference Incorporated According to the Requirement of the Discipline?

It is.

(b) What Officers and Persons holding Moneys, Funds, etc., are Bonded, and in what Amounts, According to the Requirement of the Discipline?

G. F. Lockmiller, Treasurer Preachers' Aid Society, for \$45,000.00.

2. Who have been Received by Transfer, and from what Conferences?

Howard G. Byrd, Alabama.

L. B. Clarke, St. John's River.

Richard H. Thames, Alabama.

3. Who have been Readmitted?

None.

4. Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches?

None.

5. Who have been Received on Trial?

(a) In Studies of First Year.

Carl R. Athearn ('27); George W. Atkinson ('27); Frederic E. Denton ('27); Rupert R. Ghromley ('27); Charles Holliday ('27); Frank C. Smathers ('27).

(b) In Studies of Third Year under the Seminary Rule.

None.

6. Who have been Continued on Trial?

(a) In Studies of First Year.

George E. Blanchard ('26); Henry W. McDonald ('26); John L. Chaney ('25); William C. Daniel ('25); David A. Spessard ('25).

(b) In Studies of Second Year.

Cranston Clayton ('26), (conditioned). Eulys C. Trentham ('25).

(c) In Studies of Third Year.

None.

(d) In Studies of Fourth Year.

None.

7. Who have been Discontinued?

Otha C. Nichols.

8. Who have been admitted into Full Membership?
  - (a) Elected and Ordained Deacons this year.  
James M. Ball ('25); Willis H. Johnson ('25); J. Oliver Lawson ('23); Walter L. Russell ('24).
  - (b) Elected and Ordained Deacons previously.  
None.
  - (c) Elected to be Ordained elsewhere.  
None.
  - (d) Ordained Deacon, having been previously elected by the Conference.  
None.
9. What Members are in Studies of Third Year?
  - (a) Admitted into Full Membership this year.  
James M. Ball ('25); Willis H. Johnson ('25); J. Oliver Lawson ('23); Walter L. Russell ('24).
  - (b) Admitted Into Full Membership previously.  
William R. Curtis ('23); Mark M. Moore ('23).
10. What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year?  
William E. Bishop ('24); Isaac G. Crowder ('24); Elbert G. Gillespie ('24); Moses F. Goss ('21); Worth M. Greer ('23); Daniel L. Jones ('26).
11. What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study?
  - (a) Elected and Ordained Elders this year.  
Perry B. James, Thomas O. Marshall, John H. Meyers, Walter L. Pickering, Richard H. Thames.
  - (b) Elected and Ordained Elders previously.  
None.
  - (c) Elected and Ordained Elders under the Seminary Rule.  
None.
  - (e) Ordained Elder, having been previously Elected by Holston Conference.  
Solon McNees, William E. O. Robeson.
12. What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons?
  - (a) As Local Preachers.  
None.
  - (b) Under Missionary Rule.  
None.
  - (c) Under the Seminary Rule.  
None.
  - (d) Elected by this Conference and Ordained elsewhere.  
Thomas H. Roach. To be ordained by Newark Conference.
13. What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders?
  - (a) As Local Deacons.  
None.
  - (b) Under Missionary Rule.  
None.
  - (c) Elected by this Conference and Ordained elsewhere.  
None.

14. Who have been left without Appointment to Attend One of our Schools?  
John L. Chaney, W. C. Daniel, C. G. Wrenn, H. H. Young.
15. Was the Character of each Preacher Examined?  
Yes.
16. Who have been Transferred, and to what Conferences?  
Perry B. James, St. John's River.  
W. H. Newton, Alabama.
17. Who have Died?  
J. D. Roberson.  
J. K. Rumburg.
18. Who have been Located at their own Request?  
None.
19. Who have been Located?  
William H. Coffee. Ten-year limit.
20. Who have Withdrawn?  
(a) From the Ministry.  
None.  
(b) From the Ministry and Membership of the Church.  
None.  
(c) By Surrender of the Ministerial Office.  
None.
21. Who have been Deprived of the Ministerial Office?  
None.
22. Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints?  
None.
23. Who have been Expelled?  
None.
24. What other personal Notation should be made?  
None.
25. Who are the Supernumerary Ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this Relation?  
C. J. Bornman (2), W. H. Treuschel (4).
26. Who are the Retired Ministers?  
J. H. Amis, S. P. Angel, W. S. Bandy, T. W. Brown, M. C. Bruner, J. W. Cardwell, P. L. Clonce, G. W. Coleman, T. J. Crumley, M. N. Davenport, J. M. Emert, J. F. Giles, W. S. Grant, J. D. Harris, C. D. Houchins, A. H. Ingle, S. G. Ketron, D. T. Lawson, R. L. Leslie, C. W. Miller, H. W. McKenzie, A. A. Newman, James Osborne, L. A. Rominger, A. M. Rose, G. R. Rowan, C. S. Sadler, J. S. Strange, E. C. Thurston, H. M. Torrey, J. T. Ware, E. J. Winkler.

27. Who have been granted Leave of Absence?  
W. A. Graybeal.
28. Who are the Triers of Appeals?  
C. A. Briggs, O. R. Tarwater, B. M. Morrison, J. H. Ford, H. M. Hawk.  
Reserves: T. V. Peters, W. M. Dye.
29. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension?  
See Report.
30. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Foreign Missions?  
No Report.
31. What is the Statistical Report?  
See the Statistician's Report.
32. What is the Conference Treasurer's Report?  
See the Conference Treasurer's Report.
33. (a) What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer?  
\$50,521.00.  
(b) What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the Annual Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer?  
\$5,464.00.
34. What are the Claims on the Conference Funds?  
For Annuity distribution 1373 years multiplied by the Disciplinary rate of \$20 per year, \$27,460.00. For Necessities distribution, \$877.00. Total, \$28,273.00.
35. (a) What has been Received on these Claims?  
From the Book Concern, \$1,415.00; From Annual Conf. Investments, \$33.00; From the Chartered Fund, \$40.00; From Pastoral Charges, \$7,840.00; From Board of Pensions and Relief, \$900.00; From Other Sources, \$2,915.00. Total \$13,143.00.  
(b) How has it been Applied?  
See Report of Board of Stewards.
36. What amount has been apportioned to the Pastoral Charges within the Conference, to be raised for the Support of Conference Claimants?  
\$.....
37. What amount has been paid by the Conference Treasurer to the Board of Pensions and Relief for Connectional Relief?  
\$.....
38. Is there a Conference Sustentation Fund Society, and what is its Report?  
See Report of Preachers' Aid Society.
39. Where are the Preachers Stationed?  
See List of Appointments.
40. Where shall the Next Conference be held?  
Sevierville, Tenn.

## APPOINTMENTS

Figures indicate years of service. ‡ Undergraduates. \* Supply.

### BRISTOL DISTRICT

J. F. Reed, District Superintendent (6)

Bristol .....	W. K. Harris (3)
Christiansburg .....	J. L. Cupp (1)
Cleveland Circuit .....	*T. N. Puckett (2)
Clinch Valley .....	*N. P. King (4)
Floyd .....	G. W. Woodward (5)
Fries .....	*J. W. Grace (2)
Gate City .....	I. G. Crowder (1)
Glenford .....	‡H. W. McDonald (1)
Greendale .....	*C. L. Poulston (2)
Hilton .....	*F. J. Campbell (2)
Jonesville .....	*J. S. Yearly (2)
Marion .....	‡W. H. Johnson (1)
Nickelsville .....	I. L. Cox (1)
Pattonsville .....	*J. A. Daugherty (1)
Pennington Gap .....	T. O. Marshall (1)
Radford .....	‡E. C. Trentham (3)
Riner .....	L. E. Kilgore (1)
Roanoke,	
First Church .....	J. H. Ford (5)
Villa Heights .....	N. A. Conner (2)
Roanoke Circuit .....	*W. F. Barber (1)
Rose Hill .....	‡W. L. Russell (1)
Russell .....	*C. W. Umberger (2)
Saint Charles .....	*G. C. Smith (1)
Saint Charles Circuit .....	*J. H. Ely (2)
Salem .....	E. N. Tarpley (3)
Swords Creek Mission .....	*J. N. Herndon (1)
Wytheville .....	E. L. Bowyer (1)

## CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT

W. A. Smith, District Superintendent (2)

Athens .....	W. H. Ragan (1)
Athens Circuit .....	A. C. Ketron (4)
Big Springs .....	*Chas. Holliday (1)
Burks and Fairview .....	*O. B. White (1)
Chatata Circuit .....	*J. F. Wyatt (1)
Chattanooga:	
Alton Park .....	F. H. Carey (1)
Avondale .....	†G. E. Blanchard (1)
First Church .....	C. A. Briggs (3)
First Church (Associate) .....	†D. L. Jones (2)
East Ridge .....	*P. T. Jones (1)
Highland Park .....	R. L. Stapleton (5)
Manker Memorial .....	H. C. Coleman (2)
Red Bank .....	F. D. Watson (2)
Ridgdale .....	†W. R. Curtis (2)
St. James .....	W. L. Pickering (4)
St. Marks .....	L. D. Hamil (3)
Cleveland .....	W. L. Oliver (2)
Cleveland Circuit .....	†R. R. Ghormley (2)
Coalmont .....	R. M. Huff (1)
Copperhill .....	J. T. Bird (1)
Daisy .....	*Paul Barker (2)
East Athens Circuit .....	*Floyd Gilbert (2)
Englewood .....	C. F. Lucas (1)
Etowah .....	W. M. Dye (5)
Etowah Circuit .....	*Ray Barfield (3)
Fairmont .....	*C. V. Nichols (2)
Jasper and Whitwell .....	†Carl Athearn (3)
J. A. Patten Community Center .....	†Frank Smathers (1)
McDonald Circuit .....	*Sam Pritchard (2)
Mount Airy Circuit .....	*G. F. Swafford (1)
North Athens .....	†J. M. Ball (2)
Patten Center Circuit .....	To Be Supplied
Richard City .....	*John Scissom (1)
Soddy .....	†Cranston Clayton (2)
South Pittsburgh .....	R. H. Thames (1)
Tracy City Circuit .....	*W. P. Atkinson (1)



### HARRIMAN DISTRICT

J. F. Rowe, District Superintendent (3)

Andersonville .....	†D. A. Spessard (3)
Arthur .....	*J. T. Sproles (3)
Big Valley .....	*M. B. Gass (3)
Burrville .....	M. C. Bruner (2)
Byington and Solway .....	†M. M. Moore (2)
Clinton .....	T. V. Peters (2)
Crossville .....	†F. E. Denton (1)
Dayton .....	E. R. Branam (3)
Decatur .....	*H. L. Clarke (1)
Graysville .....	*J. M. Hughes (2)
Harriman .....	D. B. Cooper (1)
Heiskell .....	*G. F. Cox (2)
Jacksboro and Newcomb .....	*M. H. Prevett (2)
Jellico .....	J. M. Hampton (3)
Kingston .....	M. L. Sivils (1)
LaFollette .....	†W. M. Greer (2)
Maynardville .....	E. M. Pippin (1)
New Tazewell .....	*H. A. Gamble (2)
Oakdale .....	C. H. Taylor (3)
Oliver Springs .....	*W. O. Duncan (3)
Oneida .....	J. F. Lynch (4)
Rockwood .....	Solon McNees (2)
Sunbright .....	S. N. Eblen (2); P. R. Broyles (1)
Vine Grove .....	G. S. Bales (1)
Well Springs .....	*G. W. Atkinson (3)

### JOHNSON CITY DISTRICT

E. O. Woodyard, District Superintendent (2)

Baileyton .....	R. E. Walker (2)
Chuckey .....	T. E. Goodman (1)
Del Rio .....	A. A. Newman (1)
Elizabethton .....	B. M. Morrison (2)
Fall Branch .....	S. G. Ketron (1)
Greeneville .....	J. W. Boling (3)
Greeneville Circuit .....	E. G. Gillespie (2)
Johnson City .....	O. R. Tarwater (3)
Johnson City Circuit .....	G. W. Matney (1)
Kingsport .....	J. E. Milburn (2)
Kingsport Circuit .....	D. C. Slagle (1)

Limestone .....	*W. A. Quarry (1)
Morristown .....	N. H. Cardwell (3)
Morristown Circuit .....	I. B. Leonard (1)
Mosheim .....	W. C. Winslow (6)
Mountain City and Butler .....	C. V. Bellamy (2)
Mountain City Circuit .....	O. A. Lawson (1)
Newport .....	C. B. Tarwater (1)
Newport Circuit .....	To Be Supplied
Parrottsville .....	S. A. Hopper (2)
Pittman Center .....	To Be Supplied
Roan Mountain .....	To Be Supplied
Rogersville .....	T. H. Conner (1)
Rutledge .....	†Enos. Wagner (1)
Sneedville .....	To Be Supplied
Sulphur Springs .....	D. L. Howell (2)
Surgoinville .....	†J. O. Lawson (1)
Telford .....	G. L. Shupe (1)
Unicoi .....	To Be Supplied

### KNOXVILLE DISTRICT

W. C. Martin, District Superintendent (3)

Alcoa .....	R. C. Elzey (1)
Asbury and Jefferson City .....	W. M. Bull (1)
Chestnut Hill .....	Cicero Dobbs (1)
Dandridge .....	Dewey Jenkins (2)
Erie Circuit .....	*H. E. Crowson (1)
Fair Garden .....	J. O. Cox (4)
Friendsville and Walland .....	C. L. Kirby (2)
Knoxville:	
Burlington .....	*W. H. Graves (3)
East Main Avenue .....	M. P. Murphy (1)
First Church .....	R. M. Millard (3)
Inskip .....	J. M. Dew (4)
Lonsdale .....	H. M. Hawk (3)
Oakwood .....	W. D. Wilkinson (5)
Park City .....	W. F. Pitts (3)
Second Church .....	G. J. Cresswell (8)
South Knoxville .....	*M. D. Porter (1)
Trinity .....	Jesse Bogue (2)
Vestal .....	G. T. Francisco (4)
Whittle Springs .....	J. A. Mitchell (3)
Knoxville Circuit .....	W. E. O. Robeson (1)



## Appointments

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Lenoir City .....	M. H. Rambo (1)
Lenoir City Circuit .....	*J. D. Babb (2)
Little River Circuit .....	*W. L. Roberts (3)
Loudon .....	E. H. Ogle (1)
Maryville .....	J. W. Broyles (2)
Maryville Circuit .....	J. F. Coldwell (2)
Meadow Circuit .....	To Be Supplied
New Salem Circuit .....	*A. J. Bamberg (1)
Pigeon Forge .....	E. M. Boyd (2)
Sevierville .....	W. E. Bishop (1)
Sevierville Circuit .....	‡M. F. Goss (2)
Thorn Grove Circuit .....	J. H. Meyers (1)
Townsend .....	H. G. Byrd (1)
Tremont .....	C. H. Ely (2)

## SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

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- A. A. Brown, President University of Chattanooga—member of First Church, Chattanooga, Quarterly Conference.
- J. M. Melear, Editor of Southeastern Christian Advocate—member of Athens Quarterly Conference.
- J. S. Burnett, Superintendent of Southern Highlands Division, Board of Home Missions and Church Extension—member of First Church, Chattanooga Quarterly Conference.
- L. B. Clarke, Conference Evangelist—member of Lenoir City Quarterly Conference.
- F. P. Sanders, Conference Evangelist—member Maryville Circuit Quarterly Conference.
- R. A. Kilburn, Director of Religious Education Rural Leadership, and Evangelism, in Tennessee Wesleyan College—member of Athens Quarterly Conference.
- H. G. Williamson, Director of Religious Education—member of Saint Mark's Chattanooga Quarterly Conference.
- J. L. Chaney, W. C. Daniels, C. G. Wrenn, H. H. Young, left without appointment to attend one of our church schools.
- A. B. McKenzie, Conference Evangelist—member of Lenoir City Quarterly Conference.

## REPORTS

### COMPOSITE REPORT OF THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

To The

HOLSTON ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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It has been the time honored custom of the District Superintendents to prepare more or less lengthy and detailed reports of the achievements on each District, based on Quarterly Conference records and questionnaires mailed out to the pastors. For the reason that Fourth Quarterly Conference reports are rarely complete, due to the raising of benevolent funds the last few days before the Annual Conference, the Superintendents figures are so incomplete as to make his report a mere optimistic prediction. Usually these hopeful recitals are so disturbingly contradicted by the Statistical reports that the entire procedure seems futile. And since the Treasurer and Statistician will give us a trustworthy statement of gains and losses, it is fitting that the Superintendents report should be more prophetic and challenging than statistical and stereotyped. Therefore, we have together prepared and herewith present a brief statement of our achievements and a proposal of policy and program for the future.

There is always the temptation to become enthusiastic in reporting our work and leave the impression that more has been accomplished than the records will justify. With this danger in mind we modestly remark that we have had a good year. Our pastors have tried to be faithful and render acceptable service. The laymen have been as alert as in any previous year and have co-operated splendidly. Many of our lay leaders have been very active in seeking to bestir the indifferent and give vision to the laggard charges. We cannot too strongly express our appreciation to these leaders for their sympathetic work in the interest of our common task.

As your Superintendents we have tried to honestly and faithfully face our problems and responsibilities. It is not for us to say how well we have done our task, but we have sincerely wanted to do it well. We have tried to be leaders and not task masters. We have sympathized with every pastor and have sought to be helpful. It has been our intention to get the viewpoint of the laymen and listen to all constructive suggestions. Our sole purpose has been to build the Kingdom of Christ and please our Master.

The records for the year will show that 12 churches have been built; 35 have been improved and repaired; 1 parsonage has been built and 16 improved. Some significant changes have been made in

organization in a number of parishes; many special evangelistic campaigns have been held with gratifying results and a large number of members have been added to the churches. The exact number of additions cannot be accurately reported at this time because of incomplete figures at the time of preparing our report and some very thorough revision of some church registers. Our net gain will, we fear, be seriously reduced for this reason. We have carefully looked into the revised records to see that no members were lost to the church through a misunderstanding of the law regarding non-resident members. The revisions seem to have been carefully made and are therefore trustworthy. It is a serious matter to suffer loss by this means, but it is important that we have accurate church membership rolls.

We have given considerable attention to the program of Religious Education, which has been under the direction of Rev. H. G. Williamson. The churches have been so willing to receive help in their work that the Director has found it difficult to answer all the calls for service. He has personally served 57 churches; conducted 154 services in the interest of the work; has devoted 10 days to teaching in the Epworth League Institutes, and 10 days to the Summer School of Theology. Fifteen days have been given to Standard Training Schools. Approximately 500 teachers have received training during the year, either in local training classes or in Standard Training Schools. Thirty-nine Daily Vacation Bible Schools have been conducted. In these schools nearly 3,000 children and young people have received training in worship, hymnology, missions and Bible study. In a number of schools graded literature has been introduced, better Hymn books secured, additional equipment provided and organization improved.

The Laymen's Association has been very helpful in sponsoring the work of Religious Education in the Conference, in addition to carrying forward the usual type of program for the year. The Leagues have also enjoyed a splendid year of service and achievement. The Institute at Sevierville has come to be one of the most significant events of the year. Not only is it educational and inspirational in character but it is evangelism of a high order. Probably no week in the year means quite so much to our young people as Institute week. All our pastors should take advantage of the splendid opportunities offered by this important event. The various Women's Organizations have also worked faithfully and have creditable reports. Our total benevolent giving as a Conference is greatly increased by the Missionary Societies, while the budget of many a struggling church has been strengthened by the Ladies' Aid Society.

But time would fail us to attempt a detailed statement concerning all the work of the year. Our purpose is to challenge the Conference with a statement dealing with our future. We are not content to merely continue in the usual way the doing of the usual things. We have no radical proposals but we do insist upon a vigorous program of advance for the coming years.

We think it is wise to emphasize the fact that ours is a connectional church and we must have a connectional program. There is

every reason why we should expect loyal co-operation from all our people, and certainly there is no question as to what the attitude of all our preachers should be. To meet the present emergency and to safeguard our future, the church must think in terms of a unified program under unified leadership, majoring along a few well defined and very essential lines. It is possible to retard our own progress by scattered effort.

There is urgent need for a correlated program of evangelism which will have power to challenge the constituency of the church with the reasonableness and imperativeness of the Christian life. So great is the conviction that an adequate program of evangelism is the greatest need of the church today, that our Bishops and leaders are calling upon our pastors and churches for a more earnest acceptance of this supreme task. Many have accepted Christ during the past year but not all of these have affiliated with the church. It is as much our obligation to relate men to the church as it is to win them to a decision. Mass evangelism has been our chief method in the past. We think it should play its part in the future program, but there must be increasing emphasis upon personal evangelism as the method of the Master. There must also be more insistence upon the conservation of child life in building the Kingdom. The child must be in the midst. Our Sunday Schools offer the largest opportunity for personal evangelism. Every church should report a large number received from the Sunday School.

It is no far cry from a discussion of evangelism to a consideration of Religious Education as a method of evangelism. Religious Education has a two-fold purpose. First, it seeks to conserve the spiritual possibilities of childhood. Second, it aims at motivating the growing experience of all individuals with spiritual ideals. Spirituality is conditioned upon right ideas, ideals, habits and attitudes. If the church is to experience new life, it will come only as men get fresh visions of God, new glimpses of truth as revealed in Christ. There must be a quickened sense of duty and obligation toward the world-wide program of the church; a rekindled interest in the commonly accepted means of grace such as prayer, Bible study, and public worship. But this is essentially an educational process, and suggests that all the activities of the church should rest upon a foundation of religious training, scientific in method and dispiritual in content. We need to remember that the educational approach is slow and exercise patience as we dedicate ourselves to the task of growing the Kingdom in our day and generation.

Teacher Training is fundamental to the success of our program of Religious Education. Trained teachers will mean the adoption and successful use of departmental organization and graded instruction in our church schools. Proper equipment for the school will also be demanded when the teachers have a thorough understanding of the methods, materials and equipment necessary. Week day instruction in religion and Daily Vacation Bible Schools will naturally follow when our pastors, officers and teachers are prepared for the work and are conscious of their responsibility and opportunity. Most of our



rural Sunday Schools and many of those in towns and cities are sadly antiquated in organization, equipment and curriculum. We have crowded the child into one room with all ages, much confusion and little instruction while we have measured success in terms of numbers. We must make the need of the child the law of the school.

We must continue to emphasize the importance of the home, for as Mr. Roosevelt once said: "If we solve every other problem in the wisest possible way, it shall profit us nothing if we have lost our own national sole and we will have lost it if we do not have the question of the relations of the family put upon the proper basis." Most of the serious problems facing the church will be greatly simplified when vital religion dominates family life. The first church was in the home and the church of the present is dependent upon Christian homes in carrying forward the work of establishing a Christian social order.

We are encouraged as we consider the contribution made to our program of instruction and cultivation by the various institutions of learning within our Conference. The University of Chattanooga is enjoying a continued increase in students and financial resources. During the year 667 students, including those enrolled in Summer School and extension work, received instruction in the University. \$200,000 has been added to the endowment, making an addition of \$500,000 since 1922. This marks the conclusion of the endowment campaign. The institution is in position to make a most valuable contribution to the Holston territory in service of the highest order.

Tennessee Wesleyan, with increased recognition by the Colleges of the state and section; with enlarged enrollment and renewed loyalty on the part of alumni and friends, is entering upon a period of great service. This historic institution has sent out into life many men of sterling character and splendid ability who have played a very important part in the political, economic and religious life of our section. The coming years will only enlarge the field of service and add to the usefulness of this college.

Murphy Collegiate Institute has also rendered a signal service to the Holston Conference in the years gone by. The fine campus, the fertile farm adjoining and the modern buildings make it possible for this institution in the edge of the mountains to continue a useful ministry to the belated students of our mountain section. We think the future type of work should not be simply a duplication of the work of the County High School, but a distinct type of Christian service worked out with the co-operation of our General Board of Education. One has only to look at the steps leading into the old college building, worn half through the stone by the feet of the mountain youth who came in search of an education, to resolve that this school shall not fail for lack of friends or funds, in this day of reconstruction.

Recognizing the importance of these institutions in relation to our unified program of service in the future, we recommend a permanent educational policy in the Holston Conference that will safeguard

the financial prosperity and increasing efficiency of these schools, and that will avoid duplication and overlapping of program.

We must also commend the work of our mountain schools, Pittman Community Center and John A. Patten Community Center. These schools should be feeders to our other institutions. But for them many young people of the mountains would not get a vision of their possibilities and the need for going away to college.

It would not be fair to leave this section of our report without mentioning the Summer School of Theology and the School of Missions, both of which hold their sessions at Athens. The young ministers of the Conference are finding the School of Theology the most valuable aid in pursuance of their course of study and the stimulation and cultivation of their powers as Christian ministers. Under the direction of a strong faculty the course of study is made a pleasure instead of drudgery. Every undergraduate is urged to attend the eighth session next summer.

The School of Missions, which embraces the work of both Home and Foreign Missionary Societies, is doing much to increase interest in missionary work.

We wish to give a place in this report to a survey of our city and rural work. Probably as we face some facts we shall be able to form some high resolutions. To lift up our eyes and look on the fields is a necessary preparation for Christian service.

The last official Journal of the Holston Conference reveals the information that 7938 members, or one sixth of our total membership of 47,653, are in the 21 churches of Chattanooga and Knoxville. The total giving of these city churches for ministerial support and benevolences is \$95,635 as opposed to \$268,333 for the entire Conference. The total Disciplinary Benevolences of the Conference last year amounted to \$47,203. Of this amount \$28,237 came from the 21 city churches. The balance of the Conference gave only \$18,966. We have gone further in solving our city problems than we have in working out a solution to the country church problem. We have better organizations and equipment and a more intensive program in every respect. And yet a survey of our church buildings is rather disconcerting. We do not have an outstanding plant, providing for every phase of a modern program, except our First Church in Chattanooga. We have a number of new plants and some splendid old ones, but not one other building is thoroughly modern and adequate. Most of our plants follow the lines of the old Akron plan. Other denominations in our territory are wisely building a few great churches, which shall set the pace and furnish ideas for the building of other plants. Their example is wholesome and we should follow it. The time has come when some of our stronger churches, with antiquated buildings, should with courage and enthusiasm, erect splendid modern houses of worship which would not only provide for their own program but inspire smaller churches to erect church buildings commensurate with their needs.

City missionary societies should be maintained faithfully, and an aggressive program of extension should be launched. Strong churches may sponsor organizations in unchurched and developing sections of the cities and assist in maintaining them until they become self supporting.

Social service rather than self service will not only mean the salvation of the city by the church but it will also mean the salvation of the city church. Our chief concern in the midst of the many social problems of the city is not how to save the church but how to make the church a redemptive force in the city life. Our development is dependent upon the measure of our service.

We are convinced that a new program must be wrought out for our rural field. It is generally admitted that the country church supplies recruits for our cities, and yet, our efforts have mainly gone to improve the city church. Meantime, the rural churches are characterized by the same lack of organization, equipment and approved methods as in former years. One room buildings are the rule. Departmentalized and graded Sunday Schools are rarely found. Divine worship in the regular Sunday service is, in the majority of the churches, conducted only once a month. There are constant losses through death and the migration of our people to the towns and cities. Those who remain have become discouraged and, what is even more serious, the young people who are the hope of the church receive the benefit of education in schools which have out-distanced the churches in the march of progress.

Permit us to give a very brief resume of some of our problems. Many charges have too many churches and as a result the pastor cannot give the time necessary to each church. The buildings are small and inadequate; mainly one room structures. Churches are poorly located due to a mistake when the church was built, the shifting of the community center or the changing of main highways. Most country churches are remote from the railroad and bad county roads make it difficult to reach them in the winter months. Pastors' salaries are too small and it is frequently necessary for other work to be done to supplement the support. This divides the interest of the minister and makes him less efficient in the service he renders. Pastorates are usually too short. Preacher and people have only time to get acquainted when some one begins agitating for a change or the preacher asks for another charge. Constructive work is impossible so long as this condition obtains to any considerable extent. Untrained leadership is largely responsible for this state of affairs and not until our pastors and officials become more acutely aware of the possibilities of the country church and get a vision of their obligations can we hope to get far with a solution.

Another problem is largely of our own creation. In raising our ministerial standards we have been training men for station work. We have apparently regarded training as a good and sufficient reason why a man should not serve a circuit. The number expecting station appointments is growing larger than the number of stations, while it is becoming increasingly difficult to secure men who will give



the circuits the type of program and ministry necessary to bring success. We do not overlook the fact that inadequate salaries and a backward state of mind in the rural church largely account for this attitude on the part of the ministry. But we are of the opinion that an adequate support cannot be secured and an alert and progressive country church be developed until men of the heroic mold, thoroughly trained and capable of producing results, give themselves in the spirit of Jesus to this challenging task. Our rural churches are rich in possibilities; our people have money enough if they will become Christian stewards, and the future is not by any means hopeless if we dedicate ourselves to the solution of our problems, which means the acceptance of our responsibilities.

We recommend a complete survey of our rural field and a reorganization of our program. We shall have to consider the Larger Parish Plan, the Consolidated Church, smaller circuits, better and larger buildings and a ministry of a high type. There is no reason why the country church should not enter into the largest place of service it has ever enjoyed if we seriously undertake our task.

We close with a consideration of World Service, for after all, the church is but beginning its task when it cares for its own interests and develops its own organizations. Until we serve the whole world we do not approximate Christianity. We fear that too many churches have been more concerned about receiving from the benevolent funds, than contributing to the missionary enterprise. Our records show that in 1923 Holston Conference paid to World Service \$41,746; in 1924 \$28,959; in 1925 \$25,375; in 1926 \$24,896. A net loss in four years of \$16,850 in our giving is a serious matter. We fear the figures for this year will not show a gain over last year. The latest reports from the World Service Treasurer indicates an increase, but other reports from the field are not so encouraging.

We are concerned for the success of the benevolent program, not only because of the money that may be released for useful ends, but because the benevolent spirit is necessary to bring spiritual prosperity. Interest in the ends of the earth does not diminish our interest in our own work. Generous giving to the missionary cause does not deplete our local treasuries. But on the other hand we may center our interests in our own community and congregation, and we may think only of our own budget, until our spiritual vitality ebbs away, our grip on our own situation weakens and our budget knows great need.

As we think of the many projects halted in their development by the decline of benevolent giving, and the many cuts in appropriations, so seriously hampering the work on the Foreign field, our hearts ache. When we consider the real ability of our church, we are ashamed of our penuriousness. It is easy to say, that something should be done about it, but what shall we do? We suggest, first of all, that as preachers we must more and more lay this matter on the hearts of our people. We must challenge the church to prove the Lord by bringing all the tithes into the storehouse.

But to guarantee the development of the missionary spirit and

the permanent lifting of our standards of giving, we must teach stewardship through Sunday Schools, Leagues and Missionary Societies. The slow method is the surest. High pressure may temporarily increase our collections but a reaction, unfavorable in character will follow.

At the center of our World Service program we must see the Cross of Christ. In all our work we must hear Him say: "Lovest thou Me?" If this be true we must surely respond: "Lord we will follow Thee."

Shall we not in view of our great opportunity in this new day of material progress, make safe and sure the spiritual prosperity of the church. Our Conference occupies territory which is at the very heart of the greatest industrial development in the nation. Capital from older sections is coming into East Tennessee and Southwest Virginia in a veritable golden torrent. Virgin timber; most of the minerals to be found in the nation; water power enough to stagger the imagination; ample railroad and river transportation, together with farm and business opportunities to challenge the finest type of manhood, all point to changes in the social and economic order in the next ten years, which have been a generation in coming to other sections.

The Church of Christ must keep pace. Christ is adequate for any age and all conditions. His cause must prosper and His followers go marching on. Shall we follow in his train?

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. MARTIN,

J. F. REED,

W. A. SMITH,

J. F. ROWE,

E. O. WOODYARD,

District Superintendents.

## Standing Committees and Boards

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### REPORT ON EVANGELISM

The Methodist Episcopal Church has been an evangelistic body from its first organization. There has been no period in our glorious history when the flame of evangelism did not burn and blaze.

We rejoice in the prosperity of our schools and the increasing number of educated ministers and laymen, and we are thankful that their hearts still ring true to the spirit of evangelism.

We rejoice in the good reports of our Conference evangelists, and the agencies in our local churches for evangelism, especially the Sunday Schools, Epworth Leagues, Brotherhoods. We are hopeful that the strong evangelistic messages delivered to this Conference by Drs. Hannon and Crane will bear rich fruitage in our fields of labor next year.

We, your committee, on evangelism, recommend that our city pastors spend a part of their vacations in the country holding revival meetings; and that the strong churches encourage their pastors to help the weak churches in revival meetings next year.

REV. J. H. FORD,  
E. G. GILLESPIE.

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### STATE OF THE CHURCH AND THE COUNTRY

The investigations of students of social problems in America are revealing conditions which cause us to look with great concern upon the present and future welfare of our country. It has become clear to us that society today is a composite of both pagan and Christian ideals, sanctions and customs. It is the high purpose of the church to help to eliminate from our national social structure all destructive forces, and to conserve those influences which make for stability and permanency in our institutions of government. That disintegrating tendencies are strongly active in our national life is obvious. There is taking place in the United States today "the greatest concentration of wealth in the hands of the few that history has ever recorded." Lawlessness boldly stalks abroad unchecked. Population shifts are distinctly toward towns and cities, thus impoverishing rural life, and bringing to the congested centers large numbers of people who are morally unprepared to cope with the conditions of their new environment.

With these and other facts just as alarming staring us in the face, it is certain that the church needs a pentecost and a fresh vision of God. The disciples of Jesus are still the salt of the earth. Religion is the soul of civilization. We need to preach Jesus as the Way, the Truth and the Life for social groups as well as individuals, as it is a fact that our faith is to be tested not so much by orthodoxy

of creed as by the quality of our experience and conduct before the world. Therefore, let us give little heed to theological disturbances so common today; but let us with the courage of the prophets direct our preaching toward a more diligent application of the principles of Jesus to the threatening problems of our country.

#### Deaconess Work

This being an important department of our work it should be given due recognition. This board comes not to be ministered unto; but like our Lord to minister. Hence we hereby, most gratefully acknowledge the great work achieved under the work of this board, and heartily commend its work to the church, and pledge our co-operation.

#### Sabbath Observance

We deplore the increasing desecration of the Holy Sabbath; the concerted efforts put forth by disloyal un-Americans of the United States to break down its laws, and to bring them into disrepute. We, therefore, respectfully urge all Christians and civil institutions to co-operate in the maintenance of this Holy Day set apart by our God and hallowed for the worship of Almighty God.

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#### RESOLUTION, TEMPERANCE AND PROHIBITION

Never in the history of our Nation, since the liquor question has been an issue, has there been such determined effort to violate, desecrate and demoralize into the deepest degradation and in the most contemptible treason against that part of our Constitution, known as the Eighteenth Amendment, and regulated by the Volstead Act, as is now put forth on the part of the foes of Temperance, Prohibition and Law Enforcement. No stone is left unturned, no effort is spared by them to encourage the violation of the law, to exaggerate the premeditated criminal conduct of their henchmen.

Now, in as much as these propagandists are attempting to inject their treasonable purposes into politics;

And, since strong pressure is being brought to bear by them upon ambitious politicians;

Therefore, we, the Members of the Holston Conference, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, now in session, Oct. 19th, Knoxville, Tennessee, hereby mutually agree, and pledge ourselves to use our utmost legitimate influence with our 48,000 Members, and as many constituents, against the nomination and election of any wet candidate for public office, from the President down to the most insignificant official, regardless of party affiliation.

Signed by—

J. H. MEYERS,  
CHARLES B. TARWATER,  
W. E. BISHOP,  
WILLIAM M. DYE.

### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Bishop W. F. McDowell, having been appointed to preside over the Holston Conference at this time, and having been hindered in coming by personal affliction, we deeply regret his inability to come, and, we hereby express our real disappointment, and sincere sympathy for him in his affliction, praying for his speedy recover. We further direct our Secretary to send Bishop McDowell our regrets and sympathy.

Signed,

WILLIAM M. DYE,  
CHARLES A. BRIGGS.

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### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, In the disappointment of our not having Bishop W. F. McDowell hold our Conference, as appointed, thus necessitating a change of presidency, we are greatly delighted to have our own beloved Bishop W. P. Thirkield, to again come to us at this time; and especially are we happy to have him since this will be his last opportunity to hold our Conference, he too, having been afflicted with a personal malady of having been born too soon to overcome certain General Conference legislation, affecting the time of his retirement. We extend to Bishop Thirkield our continued high appreciation of his brotherly spirit among us, and pledge him our most hearty support and co-operation.

Signed,

WILLIAM M. DYE,  
CHARLES A. BRIGGS.



## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

The committee has gone carefully over the memorial from the executive committee of Tennessee Wesleyan College to the Holston Conference presented by President James L. Robb, and makes the following recommendations:

**First:** That we as a Conference adopt Tennessee Wesleyan College of Liberal Arts according to and in agreement with its Charter and pledge our moral and financial support;

**Second:** That a campaign be launched immediately to inspire greater interest among all alumni and former students of the East Tennessee Wesleyan University, Grant University and School of Theology at Athens;

**Third:** To discover and enlist new friends for the Institution;

**Fourth:** To unite with the Trustees upon a program of moral and financial support that will enable the College to continue its work without handicap and measure up to its great opportunity;

**Fifth:** That a committee of not less than five, three ministers and two laymen, be appointed by the Holston Conference to serve with a committee of like number from the Trustees of Tennessee Wesleyan College to determine at the earliest possible time the amount necessary to relieve the present indebtedness and supplement established sources of income to such an extent as will make it possible for the School to carry forward its educational program without embarrassment;

**Sixth:** That as soon as the Church mind can be prepared for it the committee settle the amount to be raised within the patronizing territory of the College as a permanent and productive Endowment, and that in the program shall be included a Professorship to be known as the Chair of Mathematics, and a Professorship to be known as the Chair of Foreign (or Ancient) Languages;

**Seventh:** That the committee of five from the Holston Conference and five from the Trustees of Tennessee Wesleyan College be authorized to fix the time when the campaign shall be launched and the methods to be employed in raising the necessary funds, with the understanding that no Professional Agency outside of the Methodist Episcopal Church shall be employed to carry forward an intensive every-member "drive", but shall be directed and carried on by persons within the Methodist Episcopal Church, and amenable to the Church, with such restrictions as are in keeping with the high religious and educational standards of the Methodist Episcopal Church and her Schools;

**Eighth:** That the Resident Bishop, as soon as he shall have had time to think it over, appoint a committee of not less than five to co-operate with the authorities of Murphy Collegiate Institute in making a careful investigation as to the conditions and needs of the Institute



and give the moral, and as far as possible, the financial support of the Conference. \* \* \* These recommendations were unanimously passed by the committee, and moves the adoption of the same.

WM. F. PITTS, Chairman.

## EDUCATION

We, your committee on Education, submit the following report. We note with interest and gratitude, that Methodism from the beginning realized the importance of schools and the education of its people. We find the physical proportions of the educational system of our great Church impressive indeed. There are as many as one hundred and fifty institutions including universities, colleges, professional schools, training schools and secondary schools; nineteen schools in the south for negroes. Methodism has long realized that religion and education are the real basis of civilization. The above named institutions represent a total property value of at least one hundred million dollars. And beside these, we find about forty Wesley Foundations in connecting with tax-supported or private institutions, where many of our Methodist young people are taking courses of instruction. There are more than 100,000 young people enrolled in the schools of the Church, in training for ministerial and lay leadership of the Church. There are a million Epworth Leaguers in line for the same cause, and five million Sunday School pupils.

The University of Chattanooga continues to make steady progress. Six years ago when it was proposed that this Conference endorse a movement to add \$500,000 to the endowment many thought the task impossible. But the Holston Conference endorsed the proposal and in June 1927, the last \$200,000 of this amount was added to the permanent funds of the institution.

The increase of student body and the improved quality of work has been just as marked. The University not only stands for the highest ideals of scholarship, but it has been a vital spiritualizing agency. It is constantly sending men as ministers into the Holston Conference and has at present five of its recent graduates in Garrett, Boston and Drew taking graduate theological seminaries.

Tennessee Wesleyan College at Athens and, Murphy Collegiate Institute at Sevierville, are forging to the front. The student body is large, the faculty strong, and the outlook encouraging. Both institutions are endeavoring to increase their endowment and provide for debts incurred. They deserve, and should receive, the hearty support of our people.

## Church Literature

Our Methodist Book Concern is the house of good books. We are pleased to note a large display at this conference session. We urge the largest patronage of our Concern.

The Southeastern Christian Advocate has a warm place in the hearts of preachers and people. It has greatly improved in recent

years and is a strong bond of unity in our Southern work. As pastors we pledge it our utmost support and will do all in our power to enlarge its circulation.

### The Epworth League

Indeed the youth is looking to the Church. If there ever were a great host of high school and college life that needs guidance and help it is the great tide of this rising generation. They have the greatest chance that any generation in America has ever had to equip themselves for the vocations, and therefore they need the strengthening of the moral fiber to balance their purpose and leaven their work. The Methodist Church would lead its youth, and The Epworth League offers opportunity for their growth and direction.

To this great work the Church itself pays close attention. The Annual Institute is a source of much strength to Holston Leaguers, and it is urged that every pastor see to it that his young people get the benefit of this great inspiration.

The four fold program of work in the League Chapter should be emphasized in every church. Make it "Young Peoples' Work for Young People."

Also, the whole Church in its Official Board and in all its life, should give first interest to the promotion of this great enterprise of evangelising and training of the rich young life that shall be the Church of tomorrow. Help them with their budget, and guide them in their program.

### Sunday Schools

The Conference Minutes of last year report a total of 466 Sunday Schools, enrolling a total of 51,766 pupils. In charge of these schools are 3819 officers and teachers. The Sunday Schools at present constitute the primary agency of Religious Education within the bounds of the Conference. The good that is accomplished by this great group of volunteer workers will never be definitely known, for character cannot be tabulated. However, it is possible to evaluate the work of the Sunday Schools in such terms as curriculum, organization, equipment, time schedules, and preparation of teachers.

While a number of schools still use lesson materials published by non-denominational publishing houses, yet an increasing number are improving their curriculum by the introduction of graded lessons, the Abingdon texts, and the elective courses for young people. However, the principle of graded songs for children and young people is largely ignored. In the main, hymn books that have been purchased for adult Evangelistic Campaigns are used in the Sunday Schools. Children are encouraged to sing songs that contradict the Methodist teaching concerning the child's relationship to God. It should be said though that hymn books of excellent quality have been introduced into a few schools during the past year.

Our schools are poorly organized. With the exception of the larger churches little effort is made to classify the pupils according to

the commonly accepted age groupings. Classes are often found with pupils ranging from four to fourteen years of age. The Methodist Book Concern no longer publishes the uniform lessons for the elementary grades. The Group Graded or the Closely Graded Lessons are to be used instead. It is highly important therefore, that proper classification and strict supervision be observed. The Conference Director through District group meetings and local institutes has been able this year to effect a decided change in this situation in a number of Churches.

More time needs to be devoted to Religious Instruction. A period of thirty minutes on Sunday under conditions not favorable for teaching is not sufficient to counteract the evil influences of the pupil's environment during the other six days. At present the most effective means of supplementing the work of the Sunday Schools is the Daily Vacation Bible School. This past summer there has been conducted within the Conference thirty-nine schools, enrolling 3202 children and young people.

Perhaps the most encouraging phase of the Sunday School work is the desire on the part of the officers and teachers for training. A good beginning has been made in this particular. Standard Training Schools have been conducted in Lenoir City, Chattanooga, and Knoxville, reaching twenty-five different churches; while local training classes have been held in seven churches. Six hundred teachers have been in training during the past year. Pastors, District Superintendents, and Sunday School Superintendents have been gracious in their co-operation with the Conference Director. The time seems to be ripe for a great forward movement in the work of the Sunday Schools of the Holston Conference.

#### Education of Negroes

The Chattanooga area being in the Southland makes especially interesting that little ship of 1619, of which no poet has written. That ship carried to America a complex problem that cannot be discarded. Eighty five per cent of the Negroes in the United States are south of the Mason-Dixon Line. A large per cent of them are still under the bondage of illiteracy that kept their forefathers from the full enjoyment of freedom. The education of Negroes faces us today as directly as did freedom in 1860. The prohibition of education for a time among the Negroes has given them a burning desire for it. We seriously doubt if any other similar amount of missionary money has ever yielded greater returns than that invested in the education of the Negro race. The Methodist Episcopal Church has led all denominations in the solution of this problem. Four hundred thousand of them are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. She has planted numerous schools and colleges touching nearly a million students who have in turn reached millions of others. But with these great results, much remains to be done.

J. M. MELEAR,  
D. B. COOPER,  
J. W. BROYLES,  
H. G. WILLIAMSON,  
J. M. HAMPTON.

### RESOLUTION OF EQUALIZATION OF FARES

WHEREAS, The Preachers of Methodism constitute a great Brotherhood of over 36,000 (36,047), of whom over 21,000 (21,149) are members of the various Annual Conferences throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, Each Annual Conference constitutes a local unit of the whole Brotherhood; and,

WHEREAS, It has not seemed possible to equalize salaries, thus giving greater support and comfort to those who serve the less remunerative and more out of the way charges; and,

WHEREAS, Since all pastors are required by the Discipline, to attend the annual sessions of the Conference, notwithstanding the above inequalities of salaries and travel from the out of the way places to attend said Conferences;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the ministers of the Holston Conference, now in session, are in deep sympathy with all who get meager salaries and have the longer distances to travel, to the seat of Conference, and, in recognition of our sincere interest the one for the other, do hereby, respectfully ask the Cabinet to appoint at this session a committee of six, one being from each District and one at large to act as chairman of said Committee, for the purpose of collecting all possible data as to the traveling expense, distances and so forth, and report back to this body Friday morning, the feasibility of the adoption of the Equalization of fares, if in the judgment of the Conference it seems possible.

Respectfully submitted, signed by—

WILLIAM M. DYE,  
R. L. STAPLETON,  
W. K. HARRIS,  
S. G. KETRON.

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### RESOLUTION

Resolved, that we express our high appreciation of the long and faithful services of J. M. Emert and J. D. Harris who are taking the retired relation at this session. We assure them of our enduring love and constant prayers.

(Adopted.)

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I move, that instead of a Board of Sunday Schools this Conference shall create a Board of Religious Education to be composed of one pastor and one layman from each district plus seven at large, the district superintendents being members ex-officio. This Board shall have supervision of all the educational work of the Conference conducted in the local church.

A. A. BROWN.

(Adopted.)



## REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

This, the eighty-fourth session of the Holston Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church must be acclaimed as one of the greatest, if not the greatest, that has ever been held in the Holston territory. The mental stimulation and spiritual inspiration received from the visiting speakers, the prophetic composite reports of our District Superintendents, the evangelistic emphasis in the entire program; the constructive and forward looking program of religious education; the policy adopted by the Conference with respect to our educational institutions, and the unusual provision made by the local entertainment committee, whereby the business of the Conference could be efficiently transacted are all in keeping with the spirit of progress now surging in the life of the Church throughout the South.

For all this we wish to express our thanks to all those who helped to make it possible; especially do we thank Dr. R. M. Millard, our host; the local entertainment committee, the members of First Church, the Boy Scouts of First Church, and the pastors and members of all the other Methodist Churches of the city.

The visiting speakers have been representative of the best minds of the Church. We want to express our gratitude to them for their able and stimulating addresses, and for the special services which some of them have given in committee meetings.

We commend the Methodist Book Concern for its unusually large and attractive display of books, and we are truly grateful for the services it renders our people.

We thank the officers of the Conference for their faithful and effective services and the press of the city or its generous publicity of Conference news.

We want to thank and commend the Laymen's Association for their hearty support of the Ministry of the Conference and especially for the forward step it has taken in helping to support the Conference program of religious education.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation of the wise administration of our beloved Bishop Thirkield during his four years in this area. He has been a brother to us all; his labors have been arduous; no Church so small or far removed as not to receive his kindly services and most careful attention. We thank him most heartily and pray heaven's richest blessings upon him and his good wife as they retire from the official duties. We hope that Bishop and Mrs. Thirkield will decide to live in the South where they have spent the most of their long and wonderful ministry.

Our hearts are full of gratitude to our heavenly Father for his guidance during the past year and for our faith in the ultimate triumph of spiritual values. As we look to the year just ahead we gird ourselves anew for the battle that shall never end until Jesus Christ has been crowned King of Kings and Lord of lords.

Respectfully submitted,

Com. GEO. J. CRESWELL,  
L. L. HAMIL,  
H. M. HAWK.





STATISTICS  
HOLSTON ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
1927

# STATISTICS NO. 1—BRISTOL DISTRICT

NAME OF CHARGE				MINISTERIAL SUPPORT										CHURCH MEMBERSHIP									
Name of Pastor				Support of Pastor		Support of Dist. Supt.			Support of Bishops		Support of Con. Clerg.		Baptisms		Prep'tory Membership		Full Membership				Deaths During Year		
				Total Claim, including House Rent	Total Paid, including House Rent	Rental Value of Parsonage	Total Claim, House Rent, Trav. Exps	Total Paid, House Rent, Trav. Exps	House Rent and Trav. Expenses	Claim	Paid	Claim	Paid	Total Paid for Ministerial Support	Total Deficiency	Children Baptized	Prep. Members Received During Year	Prep. Members Now	On Roll	Received by Transfer		On Roll not including Non-Resident Mem's.	Non-Members
1 Bristol	W. K. Harris	\$ 200.95	\$ 290.95	\$ 500	\$ 240	\$ 500	\$ 25	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 376.55	2	14	14	1	14	6	337	121	31	115	3		
2 Big Stone Gap	W. F. Barber	425	425	53	53	1	1	2	2	481	4	14	14	32	28	28	462	115	31	115	3		
3 Christiansburg	G. C. Smith	1500	1500	300	120	10	10	55	55	1685	4	25	15	32	12	28	462	115	31	115	3		
4 Clinch Valley	N. P. King	700	800	100	60	60	2	15	15	877	48	25	15	32	12	28	462	115	31	115	3		
5 Cleveland Circuit	T. N. Puckett	150	150	30	30	1	1	1	1	182	1	13	13	13	9	9	624	22	35	7	7		
6 Floyd	G. W. Woodward	1150	1150	150	95	95	14	80	80	1339	10	13	13	10	11	9	448	22	35	7	7		
7 Fries	J. W. Grace	950	950	100	85	85	10	50	50	1095	8	10	10	8	5	227	448	22	35	7	7		
8 Franklin	H. T. Weaver	250	250	50	50	50	1	4	4	305	3	8	8	8	8	25	761	4	35	4	4		
9 Glenford	L. L. Cox	1250	1179	150	110	90	18	90	60	1347	121	2	19	19	19	1	440	1	478	1	1		
10 Greendale	G. L. Poulston	700	515	60	53	53	6	4	30	587	214	1	19	19	19	1	440	1	478	1	1		
11 Gate City	W. A. Graybeal	1500	1400	300	120	112	8	70	70	1590	108	11	11	11	11	1	445	9	380	4	4		
12 Hilton	F. J. Campbell	725	725	125	60	60	2	4	4	791	4	11	11	11	11	1	445	9	380	4	4		
13 Jonesville	J. S. Yearry	395	260	50	50	50	2	10	10	322	125	2	10	10	9	9	380	4	380	4	4		
14 Komarock	E. L. Bowyer	1290	1130	200	104	104	9	70	70	1313	160	2	23	10	4	1	405	50	270	39	3		
15 Marion	W. H. Johnson	1000	784	100	90	90	16	4	65	904	267	6	6	6	8	1	270	39	270	39	3		
16 Nickelsville	J. A. Daugherty	400	400	60	60	60	2	2	2	468	8	14	25	14	30	13	287	108	270	39	3		
17 Pattonville	D. B. Cooper	1825	1875	200	163	163	19	15	90	2098	2	23	10	4	1	1	405	50	270	39	3		
18 Pennington Gap																							
19 Roanoke	John H. Ford	1400	1400	140	140	140	19	85	85	1644	2	8	8	26	12	270	8	270	8	270	8	4	
20 First Church	N. A. Conner	350	747	65	65	65	4	4	25	25	341	14	9	31	31	54	155	7	246	4	4		
21 Villa Heights	C. E. Trentham	1500	1500	300	120	100	18	3	90	17	1620	108	24	24	35	2	464	7	390	40	2		
22 Radford	I. G. Crowder	1412	1412	200	110	110	18	10	75	60	1592	23	25	25	40	7	390	40	390	40	2		
23 Rose Hill	C. W. Umberger	700	575	100	60	60	2	2	22	22	659	125	6	6	8	309	53	277	53	2	2		
24 Russell	G. L. Shupe	1100	1120	150	97	97	12	12	50	50	1279	23	29	29	17	4	354	75	354	75	2		
25 Riner	J. L. Cupp	1405	1430	180	120	107	11	11	60	60	1608	18	18	18	31	22	201	76	201	76	2		
26 St. Charles	J. H. Ely	340	340	40	40	40	2	5	5	387	5	5	5	5	4	4	52	20	52	20	2		
27 St. Charles Circuit	E. N. Tarpley	1540	1615	340	120	120	18	80	80	1833	47	31	31	31	31	22	375	20	375	20	2		
28 Salem	L. E. Kilgore	1050	1050	150	90	90	16	4	70	35	1179	5	5	5	8	4	71	191	9287	712	42		
29 Wytheville																							
30 Swords Creek Mis. C.	M. Perkins	150	150	10	10	10	1	1	1	162	77	398	145	95	515	191	9287	712	42	42	42		
Totals		\$238057	\$27732	\$3705	\$25257	\$32454	\$ 500	\$ 267	\$ 214	\$1305	\$1053	\$31953	\$1298										

# STATISTICS NO. 2— BRISTOL DISTRICT

NAME OF CHARGE

NAME OF CHARGE	Sunday Schools				Epworth League		Church Property										Miscellaneous		
	Number of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers		Enrolled in all Depts.	Average Attendance	Senior Members	Junior Members	Church Buildings	Estimated Value of Land and Buildings	Parsonages	Estimated Value of Land and Buildings	Value other Properties, Endowments, Bonds, Etc.	Paid For Buildings and Improvements	Paid On Old Indebtedness On Property	Present Indebtedness On Property	Current Expenses Not Including Mins. Support	Local Preachers	Subscribers to the Advocates	Amount Contributed By Ladies' Aid Society
1 Bristol	1	22	330	194	32	25	1	\$ 33000	2	\$ 12000	\$	\$ 3745	\$ 5000	\$ 1379	1	15	\$ 1518		
2 Big Stone Gap	1	5	93	45	45	35	1	3500	1	4000	4000	58	370	306	5000	60	1	300	
3 Christianburg	4	28	378	215	25		1	8000	1	1000					175	3			
4 Clinch Valley	6	30	450	280			5	8500	1						62	6			
5 Cleveland Circuit	1	3	67	48			1	1500								1			
6 Floyd	5	30	466	300			8½	10000	1	3000		100							
7 Fries	7	42	370	250			7	14000	1	1650		165	20						
8 Franklin	3	15	178	120			4	4800							61	4			
9 Glenford	10½	50	524	397			8½	11500	1	2000		150			100	2	16		
10 Greendale	6¼	28	270	185	15		7¼	16500	1	2000	1000		12	1000	26	1	17		
11 Gate City	3	24	228	160	68		5	18000	1	4500		100			140	2	125		
12 Hilton	7	44	404	251			5	13000	1	4000					90	2			
13 Jonesville	5	25	335	265			5½	8000							34	1			
14 Konnarock																			
15 Marion	6	40	385	270			6	11000	1	3500		700		400	75	25	188		
16 Nickelsville	4	26	275	175			6½	32000	1	1500				430	950	50			
17 Pattonville	4	22	300	180			4	15000								1			
18 Pennington Gap	3	35	513	310	30	90	3	40000	1	1600		8140		300	600	1	40	250	
19 Roanoke																			
20 First Church	1	15	385	145	25	20	1	50000				3122				3		316	
21 Villa Heights	3	24	278	180	21	25	3	12000				1000			25			200	
22 Radford	4	28	420	282	30	36	3½	20000	1	4500		1700	240	2500	248	3		868	
23 Rose Hill	4	30	447	280	40		4	40000	1	3000		15	200	2300	200		20	200	
24 Russell	5	30	375	290			5	11300	1	1400				700	41	2			
25 Riner	6	35	379	205	20		5½	10500	1	2000		50			100	2	20	87	
26 St. Charles	3	27	550	325			3	6200	1	1500					60		30	105	
27 St. Charles Circuit												55							
28 Salem	3	15	252				1	1000	1	3500		100	300	2700	200		10	245	
29 Wytheville	1	11	450	177	25	20	1	3500	1	2000		40			60	1		150	
30 Swords Creek Mis.	3	20	260	120			4	10000	1							2			
Totals	111½	712	9526	5639	331	251	1113¼	\$412300	20	\$ 60650	\$ 5000	\$15865	\$ 5253	\$20850	\$ 3786	47	214	\$ 4569	

# STATISTICS NO. 1—CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT

NAME OF CHARGE		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT										CHURCH MEMBERSHIP									
		Support of Pastor			Support of Dist. Supt.			Support of Bishops		Support of Con. Cl'mnts		Baptisms		Prep'tory Mem'ship		Full Membership					
		Total Claim, includ- ing House Rent	Total Paid, includ- ing House Rent	Rental Value of Parsonage	Total Claim, House Rent, Trav. Expns	Total Paid, House Rent, Trav. Expns	House Rent and Trav. Expenses	Claim	Paid	Claim	Paid	Children Baptized	Adults Baptized	Prep. Members Re- ceived During Year	Prep. Members Now On Roll	Received From P. M. Or on Profess'n Path	Received by Transfer	On Roll not including Non-Resident Mem's.	Non-Resident Inac- tive Members	Deaths During Year	
Name of Pastor		Total Claim, includ- ing House Rent	Total Paid, includ- ing House Rent	Rental Value of Parsonage	Total Claim, House Rent, Trav. Expns	Total Paid, House Rent, Trav. Expns	House Rent and Trav. Expenses	Claim	Paid	Claim	Paid	Children Baptized	Adults Baptized	Prep. Members Re- ceived During Year	Prep. Members Now On Roll	Received From P. M. Or on Profess'n Path	Received by Transfer	On Roll not including Non-Resident Mem's.	Non-Resident Inac- tive Members	Deaths During Year	
1. Athens	J. M. Ebert	\$ 2600	\$ 3000	\$ 600	\$ 181	\$ 181	\$	\$ 41	\$ 41	\$ 166	\$ 166	\$ 3388	\$	5	6	31	40	23	428	26	1
2. Athens, North	Monroe Ball	660	660	110	50	50	\$	6	6	50	50	766		4	4	4	6	150	15	3	5
3. Athens Cir., East	Floyd Gilbert	300	300		40	40		6	6	10	10	350		12	26	38	16	133	133	3	3
4. Burks & Fairview	Joseph Mauldin	398	337		40	40		6	6	20	10	387	71	4	5	10	10	120	45	3	3
5. Chatata Circuit	Charles Holiday	950	850		92	92		16	6	80	10	958	180	7		7	2	458	5	6	6
6. Chattanooga:																					
7. Alton Park	F. H. Carey	2300	2300	500	100	100		10	10		24	2334	100					201	22	1	1
8. Avondale	J. L. Chaney	1850	1850	350	140	140		8	8		10	2008					41	7	335		
9. East Ridge	C. F. Lucas	237	237		600	600		100	100	425	425	8125		8	3	16	56	10	30	38	6
10. First Church	C. A. Briggs	7000	7000	1500	600	600		100	100												
11. Associate Pastor	Daniel L. Jones	3500	3500	700	280	280		45	45	150	150	3975		11	8	9	39	352	69	2	2
12. Highland Park	R. L. Stapleton	2000	2300	300	100	100		30	15	100	100	2515	15	6	30	6	18	36	21	257	69
13. Manker Memorial	H. C. Coleman	2250	2250		150	150		30	30	60	60	2490		2	17	25	25	22	276	30	1
14. Red Bank	F. D. Watson	2160	2160		80	80		16	16	70	70	2326						1	175	5	2
15. Ridgetale	W. R. Curtis	2100	2100		150	150		10	10		35	2295		3	15	19	7	16	5	275	1
16. St. James	W. L. Pickering	2900	2900	500	100	100		45	45	140	140	3185		2	5	5	5	17	297	31	1
17. St. Marks	L. D. Hamil	3100	3100	500	180	180		40	40	189	180	3500		4	6	4	7	6	11	447	5
18. Cleveland	W. I. Oliver	600	503	72	60	66		10	5	75	20	594	163	1	14	4	14	4	167	5	1
19. Cleveland Cir.	R. R. Shornley	800	900	100	80	80		22	6	50	10	996	56		4	10		4	95	1	1
20. Coalmont	E. M. Fippin	2200	2200	400	180	180		27	27	180	180	2587		5	2	2	6	232	88	1	1
21. Copper Hill	M. H. Rambo	600	521		60	60		5	5		23	609	79		3	1	2	74	60		
22. Dausy	J. F. Wyatt	900	900	150	50	50		5	5	50	50	1005		4	13	6	16	3	110	60	
23. Englewood	W. M. Dye	3000	3000	600	120	120		30	20	200	101	3241	109	4	18	19	24	296	6	1	1
24. Etowah	J. F. Wyatt	375	387		50	50		8	8	40	11	435	50	1	12	1	1	12	44	13	1
25. Etowah Cir.	Roy Barfield	500	300	75	50	50		5	5	25	5	360	220	9	6	4	6	4	138	100	1
26. Fairmont	V. C. Nichols	470	506	120	60	60		12	10	60	15	591	211					146	84	2	2
27. Jasper & Whitwell	C. R. Athearn	450	480		42	42		6	6		15	603	7	1	14	7	7	220	25	3	3
28. J. A. Patton C. Cen.	Frank Snathers	555	528		55	55		1	1	6	6	216	385	1	11	12	13	1	15	1	1
29. McDonald Circuit	Sam Pritchard	500	500		50	50		20	20	100	100	82	90	1	6	8	8	265	40	1	1
30. Mount Airy Circuit	Carmel Ketrone	140	50		20	25		20	5	100	10	1435	105	3	6	4	3	117	50	3	3
31. Patten Center-Circuit	G. F. Swafford	1320	1320	120	100	100		20	20	89	89	1101	108	1	5	1	4	3	117	50	3
32. Soddy	Cranston Clayton	1000	892		100	100		20	20	89	89	359		18	27	3	39	5	55	8	8
33. South Pittsburgh	G. E. Blanchard	600	600		50	50		2	2		5	607	50		2	2	5	87	11	2	2
34. Tarleton	O. B. White	600	600		50	50		7	7		30	1267	100		1	1		75	25	3	3
35. Tellico Plains	F. H. Carey	1240	1140	240	50	50		3	3		4	412	135					338	33	8	8
36. Tracy City Circuit	J. C. Atkinson				40	40												5	50	15	
37. Athens Circuit	A. C. Ketrone																				
38. Big Springs	G. B. Keebler																				
39. Richard City	John Sisson																				
Totals		\$50256	\$50012	\$3137	\$3500	\$3451		\$ 568	\$ 504	\$2326	\$2019	\$55986	\$2184	104	387	168	481	310	9287	1140	69



## STATISTICS NO. 2--CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT

## NAME OF CHARGE

NAME OF CHARGE	Sunday Schools				Epworth League		Church Property								Miscellaneous					
	Number of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers		Enrolled in all Dep'ts	Average Attendance		Senior Members	Junior Members	Church Buildings	Estimated Value of Land and Buildings	Parsonages	Land and Buildings	Value other Properties, Endowments, Bonds, Etc.	Paid For Buildings and Improvements	Paid On Old Indebtedness On Property	Present Indebtedness On Property	Current Expenses Not Including Mins. Support	Local Preachers	Subscribers to the Advocates	Amount Contributed By Ladies' Aid Society
1. Athens.....	1	27	476	256	65	35	1	\$ 50000	1	\$ 15000	1	500	1	\$ 1177	2	15	140	2	15	140
2. Athens, North.....	1	12	195	130	30	35	2	5000	1	2000	1	500	1	125	1	125	210	1	15	210
3. Athens Cir. East.....	2	14	186	142	18	143	2	8500	1	2000	1	1400	1	25	1	25	1	5	1	1
4. Burks & Fairview.....	2	18	143	120	30	20	2	5000	1	2000	1	225	1	50	1	50	1	10	10	1
5. Chatata Circuit.....	5	20	320	200	30	20	5	5000	1	2000	1	124	1	3000	1	3000	1	14	14	154
6. Chattanooga.....	1	19	217	120	20	20	1	35000	1	5000	1	535	1	9900	4	110000	1	4	27	2165
7. Alton Park.....	1	27	350	225	35	20	1	8000	1	3000	1	535	1	110000	1	110000	1	4	27	2165
8. Avondale.....	1	90	550	280	65	65	1	325000	1	18000	1	6000	1	150000	1	150000	1	4	27	2165
9. East Ridge.....	1	25	346	176	20	20	1	50000	2	15000	2	30	1	1500	1	1500	1	35	800	800
10. First Church.....	1	18	223	138	31	21	1	85000	1	4000	1	30	1	3689	46032	500	1	24	374	486
11. Associate Pastor.....	1	22	287	152	35	25	1	7000	1	6000	1	677	1	200	166	1	12	254	254	254
12. Highland Park.....	1	15	167	101	14	14	1	32000	1	8000	1	175	1	3500	550	1	8	235	235	235
13. Manker Memorial.....	1	20	208	98	25	25	1	51250	1	7500	1	65	1	4000	1100	2467	1	30	215	215
14. Red Bank.....	1	29	292	192	28	28	1	50000	1	6000	1	2695	1	550	7165	1	30	7	7	7
15. Ridgedale.....	1	47	404	217	95	95	5	6500	1	1500	1	518	1	50	50	50	2	115	115	115
16. St. James.....	1	16	177	115	25	25	1	2000	1	1000	1	125	1	225	44	729	12	200	200	200
17. St. Marks.....	3	10	125	78	15	10	1	16000	1	4500	1	75	1	10	75	135	6	133	133	133
18. Cleveland Cir.....	1	22	240	145	38	16	1	2500	1	500	1	3500	1	80000	800	24900	1	69	733	733
19. Coalmont.....	1	9	146	65	18	30	1	65000	1	8000	1	460	1	150	90	72	1	282	282	282
20. Copper Hill.....	2	18	240	121	42	55	1	6000	1	2000	1	73	1	1500	1550	107	10	10	10	10
21. Daisy.....	1	23	311	180	42	55	1	6000	1	2000	1	73	1	1500	1550	107	10	10	10	10
22. Englewood.....	1	16	216	180	42	42	4	6000	1	2000	1	200	1	50	50	50	12	12	12	12
23. Etowah.....	3	16	216	180	42	42	4	6000	1	2000	1	200	1	50	50	50	12	12	12	12
24. Etowah Cir.....	1	6	72	30	30	30	6	6000	1	1000	1	1500	1	58	2	10	16	16	16	16
25. Fairmont.....	1	14	199	109	58	58	3	28000	1	3500	1	5950	1	25	10	25	2	2	2	2
26. Jasper & Whitwell.....	5	30	307	154	16	16	4	8150	1	1000	1	1000	1	1500	1550	107	10	10	10	10
27. J. A. Patton Comty Cen.....	5	30	230	150	16	16	4	8150	1	1000	1	1000	1	1500	1550	107	10	10	10	10
28. McDonald Circuit.....	2	12	122	75	75	75	1/2	1000	1	2000	1	800	1	1500	1550	107	10	10	10	10
29. Mount Airy Circuit.....	3	21	126	70	53	53	1	6000	1	2000	1	73	1	1500	1550	107	10	10	10	10
30. Fatten Center-Circuit.....	1	18	199	160	45	45	1	6000	1	2000	1	73	1	1500	1550	107	10	10	10	10
31. Soddy.....	1	7	147	85	40	40	1	1500	1	5000	1	567	1	239	239	239	1	8	241	241
32. South Pittsburgh.....	2	10	95	53	53	53	1	5000	1	3000	1	101	1	50	50	50	12	12	12	12
33. Tarleton.....	1	10	95	53	53	53	1	5000	1	3000	1	101	1	50	50	50	12	12	12	12
34. Tellico Plains.....	4	20	239	126	26	26	1	800	1	3000	1	200	1	187	187	187	2	8	8	8
35. Tracy City Circuit.....	4	20	239	126	26	26	1	800	1	3000	1	200	1	187	187	187	2	8	8	8
36. Athens Circuit.....	1	8	89	60	26	26	1	800	1	3000	1	200	1	187	187	187	2	8	8	8
37. Big Springs.....	1	8	89	60	26	26	1	800	1	3000	1	200	1	187	187	187	2	8	8	8
38. Richard City.....	1	8	89	60	26	26	1	800	1	3000	1	200	1	187	187	187	2	8	8	8
39. Totals.....	66	712	7839	4550	859	287	64 1/2	\$2887660	21	\$114500	22	\$189140	\$178161	\$198919	\$21028	18	395	\$8181		





# STATISTICS NO. 2—HARRIMAN DISTRICT

NAME OF CHARGE	Sunday Schools			Epworth League		Church Property								Miscellaneous				
	Number of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Enrolled in all Dep'ts Includ. Cradle Roll, Etc.	Average Attendance	Senior Members	Junior Members	Church Buildings	Estimated Value of Land and Buildings	Parsonages	Estimated Value of Land and Buildings	Value other Properties, Etc.	Paid For Buildings and Improvements	Paid On Old Indebtedness On Property	Present Indebtedness On Property	Current Expenses Not Including Mins. Support	Local Preachers	Subscribers to the Advocates	Amount Contributed By Ladies' Aid Society
1. Andersonville.....	6	36	350	225	75			\$ 10250	1	\$ 1250		\$ 182	\$ 600	60	125	2	5	
2. Arthur.....	6	36	360	190	75			7 5000		2 7000		182			95	2	10	
3. Byington & Solway.....	2	22	217	145	78			5 10000	1	2000		30			100	3	25	
4. Big Valley.....	2	15	260	200	30			6 5000	1	850		160			58	1	15	
5. Burrville.....	2	10	159	94	44			6 5000	1	2500		100			30	1	100	
6. Clinton.....	2	12	162	120	10	16		2 6000	1	1200		710		937	168	2	62	
7. Crossville.....	3	25	300	200	30			3 6400	1	4000	20	185			85		50	
8. Dayton.....	2	20	274	125	18			1 8000	1	1500		300			150	2	20	
9. Decatur.....	7	35	325	230	25	84		8 13000	1	1000		400	50	50	846	1	27	
10. Graysville.....	4	40	490	300	25	84		3 5500	1	1000		300			25	5	300	
11. Harriman.....	1	12	191	129	23	14		4 6500	2	12000		273	2300	22200	2965	1	21	
12. Heiskel.....	2	15	160	110		35		3 12200		5000	1100	180	300	600	150	3	6	
13. Jacksboro & Newcomb.....	3	16	215	175	45	35		1 68500	1	4000		273	2300	22200	2965	1	21	
14. Jellico.....	1	26	316	193	45	35		2 6000	1	4000		230	300	400	100	1	10	
15. Kingston.....	2	10	173	105	25	22		3 31000	1	3500		275	66	164	268	1	3	
16. LaFollette.....	3	18	200	100				5 4500	1	800		18			45	1	2	
17. Maynardville.....	4	20	150	75				2 300	1	500								
18. Morgan Springs.....	1	13	120	95				4 30000		1500			340	380	260	2	8	
19. New Tazewell.....	1	14	255	168	27	42		1 10000	1									
20. Oakdale.....	4	14	240	200				6 6000				200						
21. Oliver Springs.....	2	14	239	131	30	15		2 8000	1	3000		675	100	1000	250	2	12	
22. Oneida.....	2	22	350	200	20	30		1 10000	1	3000		50						
23. Rockwood.....	1	22	350	200	20	30		4 8000	1	1000		1500			75	1	15	
24. Sunbright.....	4	31	316	164	30	31		4 8000	1	1000								
25. Vine Grove.....	4	46	550	340	60	35		4 10000	1	2000		100			400	1	35	
26. Well Spring.....	4	20	350	275	80	150		5 3400	1	750					35		185	
Totals.....	77	561	6867	4399	700	524	91	\$234050	21	\$ 51350	\$ 1120	\$ 6068	\$ 4265	\$ 27641	\$ 6230	21	236	\$3421

# STATISTICS NO. 1—JOHNSON CITY DISTRICT

## MINISTERIAL SUPPORT

## CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

NAME OF CHARGE	Name of Pastor	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT										CHURCH MEMBERSHIP											
		Support of Pastor		Support of Dist. Supt.		Support of Bishops		Support of Con. Cl'mnts		Total Deficiency	Children Baptized	Adults Baptized	Prep'tory Mem'ship		Full Membership				Deaths During Year				
		Total Claim, includ- ing House Rent	Total Paid, includ- ing House Rent	Percentage	Total Claim, House	Rent, Trav. Expns	Total Paid, House	Rent, Trav. Expns	House Rent and Trav. Expns				Claim	Paid	Claim	Paid	Prep. Members Re- ceived During Year	On Roll		Received From P. M. Or on Prof'n Faith	Transfer	On Roll not including Non-Resident Mem's.	Non-Resident Inac-
1. Baileyton	R. E. Walker	\$ 1200	\$ 925	120	120	80	80	\$ 25	\$ 25	\$ 935	\$ 405	16	20	2	10	1	304	1	599	2			
2. Chucky	I. B. Leonard	1200	1175	100	120	100	100	5	5	20	20	6	19	10	11	13	240	5	599	1			
3. Elizabethton	B. M. Morrison	2400	2400	600	150	150	150	15	15	100	100	2665	10	10	11	13	507	5	599	1			
4. Fall Branch	Joseph Green	1075	967	75	100	95	95	5	5	37	37	1104	11	16	13	30	429	32	507	2			
5. Greenville	J. W. Baling	2500	2500	400	160	160	160	30	30	150	150	2840	5	28	11	30	429	32	507	6			
6. Greenville Circuit	E. G. Gillespie	1250	1112	250	100	85	85	10	10	35	35	1242	5	16	11	30	429	32	507	2			
7. Johnson City	O. R. Tarwater	3600	3600	900	270	270	270	50	50	270	270	4790	21	39	47	71	4	754	65	7			
8. Kingsport	J. E. Milburn	2750	2750	760	200	200	200	25	25	150	150	3135	5	39	47	71	4	754	65	7			
9. Kingsport Cir.	W. H. Quarry	1100	1068	100	80	80	80	10	10	40	40	1198	7	4	15	18	41	93	404	9			
10. Limestone	O. A. Lawson	1000	975	100	85	80	80	10	10	40	40	1198	4	4	15	18	41	93	404	9			
11. Morristown	N. H. Cardwell	2700	2700	600	210	210	210	8	8	30	30	1093	62	16	16	16	16	16	12	12	3		
12. Morristown Cir.	S. G. Ketron	1120	1120	120	100	100	100	25	25	200	200	3080	55	5	5	5	5	5	12	12	3		
13. Mosheim	W. C. Winslow	1350	1350	150	120	120	120	15	15	141	141	1376	2	4	4	4	4	4	12	12	3		
14. Mountain City, Butler	C. V. Bellamy	1750	1618	250	100	94	94	10	10	120	120	1600	25	10	10	10	14	14	14	14	14	14	
15. Mountain City Cir.	D. C. Stagle	1141	979	216	92	71	71	15	15	80	12	1727	218	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	
16. Newport	M. P. Murphy	2700	2700	300	200	200	200	25	25	160	160	3085	69	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
17. Newport Cir.	A. A. Newman	274	233	24	40	40	40	5	5	30	30	280	69	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
18. Parrotville	S. A. Hopper	1500	1650	100	140	140	140	20	20	120	120	1930	69	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
19. Pittman Center	Luther Flynn	800	650	80	80	80	80	5	5	10	10	220	185	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	
20. Roan Mountain	G. W. Matney	1100	730	100	80	57	57	3	3	15	15	805	277	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
21. Rutledge	T. H. Conner	620	433	45	45	45	45	5	5	20	20	455	277	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
22. Rogersville	W. E. Bishop	390	390	40	40	40	40	5	5	20	20	455	277	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
23. Sneedville	Enos Wagner	1000	1000	100	90	90	90	15	15	50	50	1155	277	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
24. Surgoinsville	T. E. Goodman	1300	1111	100	120	115	115	35	35	2	2	1238	342	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
25. Sulphur Springs	D. L. Howell	1250	1250	150	110	105	105	15	15	30	30	1400	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
26. Telford	H. W. McDonald	630	630	25	65	65	65	7	7	1	1	742	5	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	
27. Unicoi	W. Z. Harshbarger	630	630	25	65	65	65	7	7	1	1	742	5	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	
Totals		\$37710	\$86106	\$5820	\$3062	\$2897	\$ 600	\$ 385	\$ 314	\$2203	\$1775	\$41692	\$2608	88	405	436	86	447	341	11294	682	91	

Totals





# STATISTICS NO. 1—KNOXVILLE DISTRICT

NAME OF CHARGE		Name of Pastor	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT										CHURCH MEMBERSHIP											
			Support of Pastor		Support of Dist. Supt.		Support of Bishops		Support of Con. Cl'mnts		Baptisms		Prep'tory Men'ship		Full Membership									
Total Claim, Includ- ing House Rent	Total Paid, Includ- ing House Rent	Rental Value of Parsonage	Total Claim, House Rent, Trav. Expns	Total Paid, House Rent, Trav. Expns	House Rent and Trav. Expenses	Claim	Paid	\$	Claim	Paid	\$	Total Paid for Ministerial Support	Total Deficiency	Children Baptized	Adults Baptized	Prep. Members Re- ceived During Year	On Roll	Received From P. M. Or on Profes'n Faith	Received by Transfer	On Roll not including Non-Resident Inac- tive Members	Non-Resident Inac- tive Members	Deaths During Year		
1. Alcoa.....	Cicero Dobbs.....	\$ 1565	\$ 1461	\$ 100	\$ 50	80	71	10	818	72	\$ 1511	\$ 154	1	12	12	8	207	24	2	24	2	24	2	
2. Asbury & Jefferson City.....	J. O. Lawson.....	800	737	150	120	105	10	10	1419	141	1419	141	30	9	13	3	234	30	4	30	4	30	4	
3. Chestnut Hill.....	W. L. Russell.....	1335	1335	200	132	132	10	15	1557	100	1557	100	4	13	13	13	1093	4	4	4	4	4	4	
4. Dandridge.....	Dewey Jenkins.....	1500	1400	250	132	132	5	5	261	293	261	293	198	13	13	2	198	198	198	198	198	198	198	
5. Erie Circuit.....	J. O. Cox.....	500	253	24	100	100	5	5	10	1045	94	1045	94	14	14	14	14	535	1	3	3	3	3	
6. Fair Garden.....	C. L. Kirby.....	1024	930	24	100	100	7	7	100	53	1368	64	2	2	2	2	405	1	3	3	3	3		
7. Friendsville & Walland.....	W. M. Bull.....	1225	1225	300	110	110	20	4	100	18	1500	130	9	9	9	9	323	2	2	2	2	2	2	
8. Knoxville Circuit.....	W. H. Graves.....	1500	1500	160	50	50					1550		13	10	12	12	33	206	35	35	35	35		
9. Knoxville.....	C. B. Tarwater.....	2700	2700	300	100	100	32	10	2842	4	2842	4	18	20	24	24	24	1075	75	48	48	48	48	
10. Burlington.....	R. M. Millard.....	5400	5400	350	350	350	50	50	450	50	6250	62	6	6	6	6	1147	75	11	75	11	11	11	
11. East Main Ave.....	J. M. Dew.....	1800	1800	150	80	80	19	19	160	88	1987	88	6	6	6	6	12	158	10	1	1	1	1	
12. First Church.....	H. M. Hawk.....	2100	2100	300	100	100	10	10	75	75	2285	75	6	4	32	32	3	4	302	50	1	1	1	
13. Inskip.....	W. D. Wilkerson.....	2220	2220	400	150	150	25	25	25	25	2420		14	28	11	56	18	283	9	1	1	1	1	
14. Lonsdale.....	W. F. Pitts.....	3000	3000	600	150	150	30	30	150	130	3330		6	2	11	32	7	482	47	1	1	1	1	
15. Oakwood.....	G. J. Creswell.....	3500	3500	500	300	300	25	25	150	150	3975		16	85	118	57	103	1155	54	24	24	24	24	
16. Park City.....	W. S. Grant.....	600	350	60	60	60	7	7	60	400	350	377	3	2	3	63	14	40	84	7	7	7	7	
17. Second Church.....	Jesse P. Bogue.....	5000	5000	400	100	100	100	100	400	400	5900		3	3	3	4	4	367	1	1	1	1	1	
18. South Knoxville.....	G. T. Francisco.....	2500	2500	500	100	100	5	5	50	50	2655		3	1	3	1	4	148	100	1	1	1	1	
19. Trinity.....	R. C. Elzey.....	1800	1800	300	100	100	5	5	20	20	1905		7	3	7	3	1	374	26	3	26	3	3	
20. Vestal.....	J. A. Mitchell.....	1800	1800	300	100	100	20	20	100	100	2020		3	23	3	4	26	4	285	67	2	67	2	
21. Whittle Springs.....	I. D. Babb.....	695	565	240	60	60	4	4	11	11	640	130	3	3	3	3	3	378	8	4	8	4	4	
22. Lenoir City Circuit.....	W. L. Roberts.....	1240	1126	240	100	84	10	10	17	17	1232	70	5	27	27	8	28	1	382	8	4	8	4	
23. Little River Circuit.....	T. O. Marshall.....	3000	3000	600	240	240	35	35	200	200	3475		5	6	12	5	23	541	17	11	17	11	11	
24. Loudon and Nolca.....	J. F. Caldwell.....	1280	1280	300	102	102	16	16	110	70	1468	40	10	20	81	9	12	607	20	1	20	1	1	
25. Maryville Circuit.....	M. B. Porter.....	200	238	27	68	68	35	35	273	27	273	27	6	6	7	6	2	147	20	1	20	1	1	
26. Meadow Circuit.....	E. M. Boyd.....	1500	1500	300	120	120	17	17	845	152	845	152	7	7	7	7	2	173	75	2	75	2	2	
27. New Salem Circuit.....	J. T. Bird.....	2000	2000	500	150	150	10	10	60	60	1690		1	2	2	2	5	610	75	2	75	2	2	
28. Pigeon Forge.....	M. F. Goss.....	1075	1075	150	91	91	23	23	150	150	2325	43	18	31	49	1	60	11	348	31	2	31	2	
29. Sevierville Circuit.....	B. M. Bull.....	1050	885	50	100	95	13	13	180	28	963	380	4	4	4	4	4	417	4	4	417	4	4	
30. Thorn Grove.....	E. H. Ogle.....	1800	1800	120	80	80	25	25	100	100	2005		20	20	20	20	20	87	87	87	87	87	87	
31. Townsend.....	C. H. Ely.....	1500	1500	300	30	30	5	5	5	5	1540		5	5	5	5	5	1540	1	1	1	1	1	
32. Tremont.....	C. H. Ely.....	1500	1500	300	30	30	5	5	5	5	1540		5	5	5	5	5	1540	1	1	1	1	1	
33. Totals.....		\$60584	\$59203	\$5969	\$4045	\$3829	\$531	\$490	\$2649	\$2888	\$65910	\$2329	144	377	448	295	466	299	12858	838	118	118	118	118



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NAME OF CHARGE	Sunday Schools				Epworth League		Church Property						Miscellaneous				
	Number of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Enrolled in all Dep'ts Includ. Cradle Roll, Etc.	Average Attendance	Senior Members	Junior Members	Church Buildings	Estimated Value of Land and Buildings	Value other Properties, Endowments, Bonds, Etc.	Paid For Buildings and Improvements	Paid On Old Indebtedness On Property	Present Indebtedness On Property	Current Expenses Not Including Mins. Support	Local Preachers	Subscribers to the Advocates	Amount Contributed By Ladies' Aid Society	
1. Alcoa.....	2	24	352	152	105		2	\$ 13000			\$ 100	\$ 2500	\$ 536		1	10	\$ 410
2. Asbury & Jefferson City.....	4	28	280	188	60		7	20000		150			100		1	10	100
3. Chestnut Hill.....	7	60	524	369	40		7	9200	2500	5600	45	800	250		1	20	300
4. Dandridge.....	6	55	555	300	35	25	6	10000	2500						2		
5. Erie Circuit.....	1	7	60	40			5	3500		250			205	3	12		88
6. Fair Garden.....	6	48	475	346			7	7500	1200	135		165	137	2	7		360
7. Friendsville & Walland.....	4	36	341	216	35		4	1200		250			114	1	6		
8. Knoxville Circuit.....	4	28	298	184	15		5	11500	4000	341	950						
9. Knoxville:.....																	
10. Burlington.....	1	13	254	120	40	27	1	5500	5000	237	1119	3009	606				504
11. East Main Ave.....	1	25	325	200	65	25	1	12000	4000					5	25		500
12. First Church.....	1	69	858	489	227	32	1	180000	50000	1000		40000	9000	2	85	1062	
13. Inskip.....	1	12	202	119	38	26	1	15650		650			320	2	12	230	
14. Lonsdale.....	1	16	256	155	23	32	1	10000	3500		146		531	2	20	245	
15. Oakwood.....	1	22	235	180	34	22	1	75000	4000	23000	8000	21000	610	1	8	1000	
16. Park City.....	1	37	600	360	60	40	1	50000	5000	500	2000	13000	1200	1	40	5000	
17. Second Church.....	1	54	1498	601	164	110	1	50000	10000	5250	5500		5000	3		693	
18. South Knoxville.....	1	11	73	41			1	3000				400	50				504
19. Trinity.....	1	65	380	287	75		1	80000	10000	2000		8000	7000	2	20	1300	
20. Vestal.....	1	22	410	216	72	20	1	65000	5000	70000	3000	22500	758		20	3000	
21. Whittle Springs.....	1	18	130	98	31	25	1	12000		10000	60	1000	450	1	5	700	
22. Lenoir City.....	1	32	420	170	58	83	1	7000		700	122				23	120	
23. Lenoir City Circuit.....	4	27	350	250	48		7	12000	3500	110			100	1	10	10	
24. Little River Circuit.....	5	48	425	221			5	12000		110			120	1	5		528
25. Loudon and Niota.....	3	34	518	378	50	40	3	34000	210	2360	2360	860	600		8		300
26. Maryville.....	1	55	857	381	42	55	1	80000	6000	463	4602	16150	1610		25		
27. Maryville Circuit.....	7	55	550	300	80		4	8000	800	55			50		6		
28. Meadow Circuit.....	2	16	130	104			3	4000									
29. New Salem Circuit.....	3	8	209	170	60	15	4	8500	3000					1			
30. Pigeon Forge.....	4	36	651	390	65		4	25000	2500	300			250	2	25	200	
31. Sevierville.....	1	22	326	158	71	40	1	20000	8000	25	2298	2100	411	2	18	214	
32. Sevierville Circuit.....	4	44	290	176	48		3	9000	2000	200			78		12	80	
33. Thorn Grove.....	6	36	346	232	46		7	9250	1200	130	90		36	2			
34. Townsend.....	1	10	121	84			1	15000	4000	282			214		12	225	
35. Tremont.....	2	14	224	97			2										
Totals.....	90	1087	13544	7792	1687	617	99	\$877800	\$ 949008	\$121450	\$50938	\$30492	\$132766	\$31236	36	436	\$9999

NAME OF DISTRICT		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT					CHURCH MEMBERSHIP															
		Support of Pastor		Support of Dist. Supt.		Support of Bishops		Support of Con. Cl'tms		Baptisms		Prep'tory Mem ship		Full Membership								
Name of District Superintendent		Total Claim, including House Rent	Total Paid, including House Rent	Rental Value of Parsonage	Total Claim, House Rent, Trav. Expns	Total Paid, House Rent, Trav. Expns	House Rent and Trav. Expnses	Claim	Paid	Total Paid for Ministerial Support	Total Deficiency	Children Baptized	Adults Baptized	Prep. Members Received During Year	Prep. Members Re-ceived During Year	On Roll	Received From P. M. or on Profes'n Faith	Received by Transfer	On Roll not including Non-Resident Inac-tive Members	Non-Resident Inac-tive Members	Deaths During Year	
1. Bristol.....	J. F. Reed.....	\$28051	\$ 27732	\$ 3405	\$ 2527	\$ 2454	\$ 500	\$ 267	\$ 214	\$ 1305	\$ 1053	77	398	145	95	515	191	8339	712	42		
2. Chattanooga.....	W. A. Smith.....	50255	50012	8137	3500	3451	568	504	2326	2019	55986	2184	104	387	163	481	310	7397	1140	69		
3. Harrison.....	B. Harriman.....	29680	27979	3595	2835	2740	480	130	93	1170	580	31399	1958	59	277	94	20	363	67	6422	663	
4. Johnson City.....	E. O. Woodyard.....	37710	36106	5820	3052	2897	600	385	314	2203	1775	41692	2608	88	405	386	447	341	11294	682	91	
5. Knoxville.....	W. C. Martin.....	60584	59203	5969	4045	3829	531	490	2649	2328	65910	2329	144	377	449	295	467	299	12858	838	118	
<b>Totals.....</b>		\$206280	\$201032	\$269326	\$15969	\$15371	\$1580	\$1931	\$1615	\$ 9653	\$ 7815	\$226940	\$10377	472	1844	1291	659	2272	1208	47258	4035	385
1926.....		\$203302	\$196031	\$27318	\$15142	\$14637		\$2096	\$1773	\$10848	\$8489	\$221130	\$11199	495	1967	1622	548	2336	1044	47653	8881	429
Increase.....		\$ 2978	\$ 5001	\$ 392	\$ 827	\$ 734	\$1580	\$ 160	\$ 158	\$ 1195	\$ 674	\$ 5810		23	123	331	111	164		154		
Decrease.....												822	23	123	331		264		395		44	

1. Bristol.....	\$28051	\$27782	\$3405	\$2527	\$2454	\$500	\$267	\$214	\$1305	\$1053	\$31953	\$1298	77	398	145	95	515	191	8339	712	42
2. Chattanooga.....	50255	50012	8137	3500	3451	568	504	2326	2019	55986	2184	104	387	163	483	310	7397	1140	69		
3. Harriman.....	29650	29779	3595	2835	2740	480	180	93	1170	530	31399	1958	59	277	93	20	363	67	6422	663	65
4. Johnson City.....	37710	36106	5320	3062	2897	600	385	314	2203	1775	41892	2608	85	405	36	447	341	11294	682	91	
5. Knoxville.....	60584	59203	5969	4045	3829	531	490	2649	2388	65910	2329	142	377	144	286	299	12858	838	118		
Totals.....	\$26088	\$20103	\$26926	\$15969	\$15371	\$1580	\$1931	\$1615	\$653	\$7815	\$226940	\$10377	772	384	1291	659	2272	1208	4758	4035	385
1926.....	\$203302	\$196031	\$27318	\$15142	\$14637	\$2096	\$1773	\$10848	\$8489	\$221130	\$11199	495	1967	1622	548	2336	1044	47653	8881	429	
Increase.....	\$	\$2978	\$5001	\$	\$32	\$827	\$734	\$1580		\$	\$5810					\$	5810		164		164
Decrease.....																					

# STATISTICS NO. 2—RECAPITULATION

NAME OF DISTRICT										Sunday Schools				Epworth League		Church Property										Miscellaneous		
	Number of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers		Enrolled in all Dep'ts		Average Attendance		Senior Members		Junior Members		Church Buildings		Estimated Value of Land and Buildings	Parsonages	Estimated Value of Land and Buildings	Value other Properties, Etc.	Paid For Buildings and Improvements	Paid On Old Indebtedness On Property	Present Indebtedness On Property	Current Expenses Not Including Mins. Support	Local Preachers	Subscribers to the	Amount Contributed By	Ladies' Aid Society			
1. Bristol.....	111 3/4	712	9526	5639	331	251	113 1/4	\$ 412800	20	\$ 60650	\$ 5000	\$ 15865	\$ 5253	\$ 20850	\$ 3826	47	214	\$ 4369										
2. Chattanooga.....	66	712	7839	4550	859	287	64 1/2	887650	21	114500	21000	189140	17816	198919	21028	18	395	8131										
3. Harrison.....	77	561	6867	4399	700	524	91	294050	21	51350	1120	6068	4265	27641	6230	21	286	3421										
4. Johnson City.....	115	926	12488	7815	1493	490	120 1/2	603645	28	106785	96250	43659	19410	31700	9730	21	495	6886										
5. Knoxville.....	90	1087	13594	7792	1687	617	99	377800	22	94900	121450	50938	30492	132766	31236	36	436	9999										
Totals.....	459 3/4	3998	50314	30195	5070	2169	488	\$3075945	112	\$428185	\$244820	\$305670	\$7236	\$411876	\$72050	143	1776	\$33006										
1926.....	466 1/2	3819	51766	30867	4588	1929	503 1/2	\$2667350	112	\$420575	\$ 2525	\$148961	\$49930	\$287384	\$661181	159	1649	\$33295										
Increase.....	6 3/4	179	1452	672	482	240	15 1/2	408596		\$ 7610	\$242236	\$156709	\$27306	\$124492	5932	127												
Decrease.....																16												





TREASURER'S REPORT HOLSTON CONFERENCE, 1927--CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT

NAME OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	Disciplinary Benevolences			Benevolences										Other Cash Items								
	On Apportionment	World Service	Specials: Annuities, Legacies, Etc.	Children's Day Fund	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Total Disciplinary Benevolences	Educational Endowments, Buildings, Special Gifts,	Hospitals and Homes: Endowments, Buildings, Church Extension Society	Conference Minutes	Other Benevolences	District Parsonage	Religious Education	Total Benevolences Ordered	Ordered by Annual Conf.	Support of Dist. Supt., Incl. House Rent, Adm. Exp., Support of Bishops (Episcopal Fund)	Support of Conference Claimants	Annual Conf. Investments	For Conf. Claimants	General Conf. Expenses	Grand Total, Incl. Disciplinary and Annual Conf. Benevol's, Other Cash Items	
1. Athens Station.....	\$ 352				\$ 123	\$ 269	\$ 744										\$ 181	\$ 41	\$ 169			\$ 1132
2. Athens, East.....	22						22										40	6	10			78
3. Athens, North.....	50						50										50	6	50			169
4. Athens Circuit.....	70			1	1		73										90	7	30	2		220
5. Big Springs.....	6						6										40	3	4			54
6. Burks and Fairview.....	88			15			103										40	6	10			163
7. Chatata Circuit.....	25						25										92					153
8. Chattanooga:																						
9. Alton Park.....	25					28	53										100	10	24			192
10. Avondale.....	14						14										140	8	10			195
11. First Church.....	4032	9300	65		1571	2353	17321										595	600	100	425	50	19116
12. Highland Park.....	1492	55	17		712	637	2913										184	280	45	150		3579
13. Manker Memorial.....																	15	100	15	100		230
14. Red Bank.....	137				96	20	253										28	150	30	60		531
15. Ridgedale.....	175				141		316										20	80	16	70		507
16. St. James.....	100			12			112										22	150	10	35		5
17. St. Marks.....	187				70	199	456										19	100	45	140	30	332
18. Cleveland.....	1050	100	11		121	175	1457										92	180	40	180		1954
19. Cleveland Circuit.....	36						36										14	66	5	20		3
20. Coalmont.....	15						15										5	20	3	6		4
21. Copper Hill.....	306			7	94		407										78	180	27	180		372
22. Daisy.....	27			4			31										22	60	5	23		143
23. East Ridge.....	33	10					43										50	5	50			170
24. Englewood.....	593			15	234	64	906										71	120	20	101		1223
25. Etowah.....																	37	11	11			48
26. Etowah Circuit.....							20										5	50	5	5		85
27. Fairmont.....	20																6	60	10	15		101
28. Jasper and Whitwell.....																	17	53	5	15		101
29. McDonald.....	11						11										10	50				69
30. Mt. Airy Circuit.....	6	3				5	9										10	50				77
31. Patten Community Center.....	11						16										25	1	6			38
32. Patten Community Circuit.....	6						6															
33. Richard City.....																						
34. Soddy.....	93						93										100	5	10			208
35. South Pittsburg.....	25						25										100	20	89			241
36. Tellico Plains.....	18						18										50	2	6			75
37. Tracy City.....																	13					13
Totals.....	\$ 9025	\$9468	\$ 147	\$3163	\$3751	\$2555	\$4										\$ 1303	\$ 504	\$2019	\$ 82	\$ 109	\$33121



# TREASURER'S REPORT HOLSTON CONFERENCE, 1927—HARRIMAN DISTRICT

## NAME OF CHARGES

NAME OF CHARGES	Benevolences										Other Cash Items							
	Disciplinary Benevolences			Benevolences							Other Cash Items							
	World Service	On Apportionment	Legacies, Etc.	Children's Day Fund	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Total Disciplinary Benevolences	Educational Endowments, Buildings, Special Gifts, Hospitals and Homes: Endowments, Buildings, City Missionary or Church Extension Society	Conference Minutes	Other Benevolences	District Parsonage	Religious Education	Total Benevolences Ordered by Annual Conf.	House Rent, Adm. Exps., Incl. Support of Dist. Supt., Incl. Support of Bishops (Episcopal Fund)	Support of Conference Claimants	Annual Conf. Investments For Conf. Claimants	General Conf. Expenses	
1. Andersonville.....	\$ 40	\$ 5	\$ 6	\$ 4	\$ 4	\$ 40	\$ 5	\$ 2	\$ 4	\$ 4	\$ 4	\$ 2	\$ 60	\$ 1	\$ 15	\$ 4	\$ 90	
2. Arthur.....	67					67		2				2	80	5		15	105	
3. Byington and Solway.....	31	42				73											169	
4. Big Valley.....	38					38		2				2	80		30		153	
5. Burrville.....	30					30		4				4	50				120	
6. Clinton.....	29					29		2				2	60	5			114	
7. Crossville.....	15					15							70		10		103	
8. Dayton.....	3	8		8		14		3				3	80	3	7		96	
9. Decatur.....	25			4		29		5				5	130	15	100		339	
10. Graysville.....	140		9	84	44	277							50	2	9		76	
11. Harriman.....	15					15							60				75	
12. Haskell.....	25					25		5					240	30	185	10	1082	
13. Jacksboro & Newcombe.....	308	192	12	100		612		5	100			102	80	5	15	5	252	
14. Jellico.....	42		3			45		3			5	8	56	34	8		330	
15. Kingston.....	67		5	160		232							38	2			63	
16. LaFollette.....	15					15											12	
17. Maynardville.....	12					12							80	3	11		122	
18. Morgan Springs.....	25			125		150		5	218	5		237	140	3	15	2	562	
19. New Tazewell.....	40		3	1	2	46		1				2	160	1	5	1	25	
20. Oakdale.....	10					10		2				2			4		292	
21. Oliver Springs.....	125			76		201		5				5	180	10	85		611	
22. Oneida.....	156					156							100	2	15		185	
23. Rockwood.....	60		1		7	68							95	5	10		170	
24. Sunbright.....	60					60							76				188	
25. Vine Grove.....	57					57												
26. Well Springs.....																		
Totals.....	\$ 1439	\$ 237	\$ 41	\$ 450	\$ 153	\$ 2320	\$ 5	\$ 37	\$ 318	\$ 5	\$ 10	\$ 379	\$ 2165	\$ 93	\$ 589	\$ 33	\$ 5579	

# TREASURER'S REPORT HOLSTON CONFERENCE, 1927—JOHNSON CITY DISTRICT

## NAME OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES

NAME OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	Disciplinary Benevolences				Benevolences							Other Cash Items					
	World Service		Children's Day Fund	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Total Disciplinary Benevolences	Educational Special Gifts, Hospitals and Homes; Endowments, Buildings, City Missionary or Church Extension Society	Conference Minutes	Other Benevolences	District Parsonage	Religious Education	Total Benevolences Ordered by Annual Conf.	Support of Dist. Supt., Incl. House Rent, Adm. Exps.	Support of Bishops (Episcopal Fund)	Support of Conference Claimants	Annual Conf. Investments	General Conf. Expenses
	On Apportionment	Specials, Annuities, Legacies, Etc.															
1. Baileyton	\$ 54		\$ 1			\$ 56						\$ 2	\$ 80	\$ 5	\$ 25	\$ 5	\$ 173
2. Chucky	20					20						1	1				50
3. Elizabethon	135					135						5	150	15	100	10	415
4. Fall Branch	85					85						40	95	5	37	4	266
5. Greeneville	499	5		547	174	1225	120					120	160	30	130		1685
6. Greeneville Circuit	20		5	595	1165	2704						6	85	10	35		159
7. Johnson City	939		5	28		293	127					52	270	50	270		3371
8. Kingsport	255		10			54	4					13	80	25	150		832
9. Kingsport Circuit	54					10						4	80	6	30		205
10. Limestone						844						15	210	20	150		132
11. Morristown	550			126	163	166						11	100	15	141		1254
12. Morristown Circuit	166					350						12	120	10	120		620
13. Mosheim	350					162						6	94	8	12		277
14. Mountain City and Butler	40	20		3	99	5						3	76	2	12		101
15. Mountain City Circuit	5		5			384	20					43	200	25	160		824
16. Newport					379	3						2	40	2	5		52
17. Newport Circuit	3					68						17	140	20	120		377
18. Parrottsville						135						1	25	5	10		175
19. Pittman Center	135					15						40	80		15		150
20. Roan Mountain	15												57	3	15		77
21. Rutledge						3							45	2	8		60
22. Rogersville	3					15						4	40	2	10		72
23. Sneedville	15					60	24			2	1		90	15	50		244
24. Sulphur Springs	60					116						26	115		10		189
25. Sulphur Springs	10		50	1		116						3	105	15	30		274
26. Telford	102		14			80						11	65	7	40		208
27. Unicoi	80																
Totals	\$ 3668	\$ 25	\$ 85	\$ 1306	\$ 1986	\$ 7070	\$ 295	\$ 65	\$ 73	\$ 103	\$ 54	\$ 590	\$ 2802	\$ 307	\$ 1765	\$ 151	\$ 12685

# TREASURER'S REPORT HOLSTON CONFERENCE, 1927—KNOXVILLE DISTRICT

## NAME OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES

NAME OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	Disciplinary Benevolences				Benevolences							Other Cash Items								
	World Service		Children's Day Fund	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Total Disciplinary Benevolences	Educational Endowments, Buildings, Special Gifts, Hospitals and Homes: Endowments, Buildings, City Missionary or Church Extension Society	Conference Minutes	Other Benevolences	District Parsonage	Religious Education	Total Benevolences Ordered	Ordered by Annual Conf.	Support of Dist. Supt., Incl. House Rent, Adm. Exp's.	Support of Bishops (Episcopal Fund)	Support of Conference Claimants	Annual Conf. Investments	For Conf. Claimants	General Conf. Expenses	Grand Total, Incl. Disciplinary and Annual Conf. Benevol's, Other Cash Items
	On Apportionment	Specials; Annuities, Legacies, Etc.																		
1. Alcoa.....	63					71								50			10		3	121
2. Asbury & Jefferson City.....	58					58								71			10		3	142
3. Chestnut Hill.....	92					92								105	5		24		1	227
4. Dandridge.....	66				90	156								132	10		15		5	318
5. Erie Circuit.....	12					12								8					8	8
6. Fair Garden.....	50					50								100	5		10		2	129
7. Friendsville & Walland.....	42		5			47							2	83	7		53		10	205
8. Knoxville Circuit.....												3		110	4		18		8	185
9. Knoxville:																				
10. Burlington.....														50						50
11. East Main Avenue.....	202	15		9	101	327								100	10		32		5	474
12. First Church.....	2003		42	1296	1050	4388						10		350	50	450				5248
13. Insap.....	233	77		26		336								80	19		88		15	538
14. Lonsdale.....	275					275								100	10	75				460
15. Oakwood.....	73					73								150	25		25			273
16. Park City.....	294			319	282	895								150		100				1145
17. Second Church.....	1270	38		45	13	1366				200				300	25	150			10	2064
18. South Knoxville.....																				
19. Trinity.....	851		30	905	675	2461								400	100	400				3361
20. Vestal.....	20			109		129								100		5	50			284
21. Whittle Springs.....	75		5	78		158								80	5	20				267
22. Lenoir City.....	113		3		119	235						4		100	20	100				455
23. Lenoir City Circuit.....	20					20								60	4	11			2	97
24. Little River Circuit.....	50					50						2		51		17			3	216
25. Loudon.....						20				49				68	10	12				136
26. Maryville.....	826	15	6	40		46								240	35	200			40	2045
27. Maryville Circuit.....				235	278	1374				156				102	16	70				301
28. Meadow Circuit.....	86	13				99								23						23
29. New Salem Circuit.....			15			15								41	5	10			5	76
30. Pigeon Forge.....	150		11			161								120	10	60			5	444
31. Sevierville.....	225			71	41	337								150	25	150			12	8169
32. Sevierville Circuit.....	23					23				100				91	15	55		2		191
33. Thorn Grove.....	23					23								95	5	28			8	154
34. Townsend.....	100					100				32				80	25	100			5	347
35. Tremont.....	20					20								30		5				60
Totals.....	\$ 7314	\$ 158	\$ 145	\$ 3133	\$ 2649	\$ 13399	\$ 2483	\$	\$	\$ 537	\$	\$	\$ 3062	\$ 3809	\$ 460	\$ 2338	\$	2	\$ 143	\$ 23213

# RECAPITULATION—TREASURER'S REPORT—HOLSTON CONFERENCE, FOR 1927.

NAME OF CHARGES	Disciplinary Benevolences										Benevolences					Other Cash Items								
	World Service		On Apportionment	Specials: Annuities, Legacies, Etc.	Children's Day Fund	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Total Disciplinary Benevolences	Educational Endowments, Buildings, Special Gifts,	Hospitals and Homes: Endowments, Buildings,	City Missionary or Church Extension Society	Conference Minutes	Other Benevolences	District Parsonage	Religious Education	Total Benevolences Ordered by Annual Conf.	Support of Dist. Supt., Incl. House Rent, Adm. Expes.	Support of Bishops (Episcopal Fund)	Support of Conference	Claims	Annual Conf. Investments	For Conf. Claimants	General Conf. Expenses	
1. Bristol District.....	\$ 1980	\$ 15	\$ 33	\$ 84	\$ 265	\$ 2327	\$ 24	\$ 5	\$ 51	\$ 10	\$ 47	\$ 137	\$ 2351	\$ 211	\$1053	\$ 82	\$ 61	\$ 6140						
2. Chattanooga District.....	9025	9468	147	3163	3751	25554	63	118	1070	52	37	318	3550	504	2019	82	109	33121						
3. Harriman District.....	1439	237	41	450	153	2820	5	1	3	10	3	2165	33	589	33	33	5579							
4. Johnson City District.....	3668	25	85	1306	1986	7070	295	2802	307	1765	590	2802	307	1765	590	2802	307	1765	590	2802	307	1765	590	2802
5. Knoxville District.....	7314	158	145	3133	2649	13399	2483	42	537	103	54	3062	3809	460	2338	2	143	23213						
This Year.....	\$23426	\$9903	\$ 451	\$8086	\$8804	\$50670	\$2807	\$ 6	\$3258	\$ 519	\$1715	\$163	\$5471	\$14677	\$1575	\$7764	\$ 84	\$ 497	\$80738					
Last Year.....	\$24854	\$5912	\$ 394	\$8065	\$7978	\$47203	\$ 302	\$ 1	\$ 6	\$269	\$ 634	\$ 975	\$2344	\$14675	\$1794	\$8501	\$ 43	\$ 337	\$74897					

NOTE—This year shows World Service loss of \$1,428 over last in regular apportionment, but a gain of \$2,563 when this year's "Specials" are credited against last year's regular and "Specials".—Wm. F. PITTS, Treasurer.



## Treasurer's Cash Report

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### CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS CONFERENCE

AT KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, OCTOBER, 1927

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#### RECEIVED:

1. Balance from last year .....	\$ 21.16
2. Conference Collection from Charges .....	21,920.82
3. Preachers' Aid Society, by G. F. Lockmiller .....	2,915.76
4. Methodist Book Concern .....	1,415.00
5. Board of Pensions and Relief .....	900.00
6. Chartered Fund .....	40.00
7. Lucy Waters' Fund, by G. F. Lockmiller.....	33.00
8. Receipts all sources .....	\$27,245.74

#### PAID OUT:

1. Conference Claimants, W. K. Harris, Treas. ....	\$13,067.76
2. World Service, Orrin W. Auman, Treas. ....	11,244.00
3. Episcopal Fund, J. H. Race, Treas. ....	1,575.00
4. General Conference Expenses, O. P. Miller, Treas.....	497.00
5. Conference Minutes, O. R. Tarwater .....	244.00
6. Children's Day Fund, W. S. Bovard .....	225.00
7. Religious Education, H. G. Williamson, Director.....	111.00
8. Johnson City Dist. Parsonage, E. O. Woodyard.....	103.00
9. Preachers' Aid, G. F. Lockmiller, Treas.....	84.00
10. Tennessee Wesleyan College, J. L. Robb, Pres.....	29.00
11. Chattanooga Dist. Parsonage, O. A. Brammer, Treas...	15.00
12. Woman's Home Missionary, Mrs. H. C. Black, Treas....	14.00
13. Womans' Foreign Missionary, Mrs. C. R. Haemsch, Treas. ....	10.00
14. Loaned to Minute Fund, O. R. Tarwater (greatly needed) .....	16.43
15. E. O. Woodyard, salary from Mountain City Circuit.....	5.00
16. Long Distance Chattanooga about World Service.....	1.55
17. Postage and Incidentals Treasurer's Work.....	2.00
18. Postage for Statistician sending Reports .....	1.00
19. W. C. Martin on salary from Sevierville Circuit .....	1.00
20. Balance .....	
21. Total disbursements as above .....	\$27,245.74

WM. F. PITTS, Treasurer.

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## Report of Board of Stewards

### STATEMENT OF DISTRIBUTION TO RETIRED MINISTERS

Name	Years	Annuity	S. Aid	P. Aid	Total
J. H. Amis	27	189		55	244
S. P. Angel	19	133		55	188
T. W. Brown	36	252		55	307
W. S. Bandy	25	175			175
M. C. Bruner	38	266		55	321
J. W. Cardwell	20	140		55	195
P. L. Clonce	18	126	38.50		164.50
G. W. Coleman	32	224		55	279
T. J. Crumley	33	231		55	286
M. N. Davenport	29	193		55	248
J. F. Giles	29	193		55	248
W. S. Grant	34	238		55	293
C. D. Houchins	16	112		44	156
A. H. Ingle	32	224		55	279
S. G. Ketron	40	280		55	335
R. L. Leslie	20	140		55	195
C. W. Miller	18	126		55	181
H. W. McKenzie	27	189		55	244
A. A. Newman	14	98			98
James Osborne	13	91	50		141
L. A. Rominger	18	126		55	181
A. M. Rose	29	203		55	258
C. N. Sadler	25	175		55	230
J. S. Strange	25	175		55	230
H. M. Torrey	18	126		55	181
E. C. Thurston	12	84		55	139
J. T. Ware	24	168		55	223
E. J. Winkler	26	182		55	237
D. T. Lawson	13	91			91
J. M. Emert	34	238		55	293
J. D. Harris	32	224		55	279
G. R. Rowan	18				
Total	794	5412	50	\$1457.50	\$6919.50

### STATEMENT OF DISTRIBUTION TO WIDOWS

Name	Years	Annuity	S. Aid	P. Aid	Total
Mrs. Alwyn Atkin	5	35	40	\$41.25	\$116.25
Mrs. T. R. Baker	12	84		41.25	125.25
Mrs. E. A. Bishop	9	63			63.00
Mrs. N. C. Burkhart	15	105		41.25	146.25
Mrs. W. R. Byerly	21	147		41.25	188.25
Mrs. G. W. Clendennen	10	70	20	41.25	131.25
Mrs. A. F. Creswell	7	49	20	41.25	110.25
Mrs. A. G. Cadle	12	84	30	41.25	155.25

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Mrs. W. V. Elliott	12	84	20	41.25	145.25
Mrs. E. C. Ferguson	37	259		41.25	300.25
Mrs. W. C. Halton	13	91		41.25	132.25
Mrs. P. H. Henry	17	119		41.25	160.25
Mrs. T. H. Hodge	12	84		41.25	125.25
Mrs. J. C. Hodge	9	63	30	41.25	134.25
Mrs. W. W. Hooper	24	168		41.25	209.25
Mrs. W. T. Jones	5	35	65	41.25	141.25
Mrs. J. D. Lawson	11	77		41.25	118.25
Mrs. B. M. Martin	21	147	10	41.25	198.25
Mrs. W. A. Martin	12	84	40	41.25	165.25
Mrs. J. W. McGhee	5	35	50	41.25	126.25
Mrs. W. C. Miller	16	112		41.25	153.25
Mrs. M. H. Monroe	25	175		41.25	216.25
Mrs. G. T. Newcomb	27	189		41.25	220.25
Mrs. J. F. Perry	2	14	50	41.25	105.25
Mrs. J. S. Petty	10	70		41.25	111.25
Mrs. I. N. Pippin	16	112		41.25	153.25
Mrs. R. C. Robertson	12	84		41.25	125.25
Mrs. J. J. Robinette	33	231		41.25	272.25
Mrs. T. B. Russell	15	105		41.25	146.25
Mrs. R. A. Scott	10	70		41.25	111.25
Mrs. S. D. Tuttle	10	70	40	41.25	151.25
Mrs. N. K. Rowe	10	70	40	41.25	151.25
Mrs. J. D. Roberson	30	210		41.25	251.25
Mrs. J. K. Rumburg	6	42		41.25	83.25
Mrs. John Sanders	16	112	36	41.25	189.25
Mrs. G. C. Williams	18	126			126.00
Total	525	3665	491	\$1402.50	\$5558.50

## STATEMENT OF DISTRIBUTION TO CHILDREN

Mrs. Alwynn Atkin—					
Marjorie Belle Atkin		8	2	14	\$13.75
Alwyn James Atkin		8	2	14	13.75
Mrs. T. R. Baker—					
Era Baker	17	16	4	28	13.75
Edward Baker	14	16	4	28	13.75
Catherine Baker	10	16	4	28	13.75
Mrs. J. W. McGhee—					
Helen McGhee				14	13.75
Mrs. J. K. Rumburg—					
Mary Ada Rumburg	15	34	8	56	13.75
Virginia Pearl Rumburg	12	34	8	56	13.75
Icie White Rumburg	12	34	8	56	13.75
Marjorie Blanche Rumburg	9	34	8	56	13.75
Earle Grant Rumburg	7	34	8	56	13.75
Eva Glenn Rumburg	4	34	8	56	13.75
Mrs. G. C. Williams—					
Louise Williams	15	24	6	42	
Total			72	504	\$165.00

# Board of Stewards

## RECEIPTS—

Balance in Treasury .....	\$ 147.11
Interest .....	27.60
Conference Collections .....	7740.00
Preachers' Aid Society .....	2915.76
Book Concern .....	1415.00
Board of Pensions .....	900.00
Chartered Fund .....	40.00
Lucy Waters Fund .....	33.00
Total .....	<u>\$13,218.47</u>

## DISBURSEMENTS—

To Men .....	\$ 6919.50
To Women .....	5558.25
To Children .....	669.00
To Administration for Three Years .....	5.00
	<u>\$13,151.75</u>
Balance in Treasury .....	\$66.72

**UNIVERSITY OF CHATTANOOGA**  
**Statement of Endowment Collections for**  
**Conference Year Ending October 1927**

	Endowment	Interest
First M. E. ....	\$60,404.00	\$215.00
Highland Park .....	210.00	52.00
St Marks .....	105.00	8.30
St. James .....	15.00	3.40
Manker Memorial .....	45.00	4.75
Alton Park .....	10.00	1.50
Rossville .....	5.00	
Avondale .....	15.00	1.50
Ridgedale .....	20.00	3.00
St. Elmo .....	50.00	1.50
Big Springs .....		3.60
	\$60,879.00	\$344.55

**PAYMENTS OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST**  
**TENNESSEE WESLEYAN COLLEGE**  
**October 12, 1926 to October 1, 1927**  
**BRISTOL DISTRICT**

	Principal	Interest
Big Stone Gap .....	\$ 4.00	\$ .36
Gate City .....	20.00	6.60
Bristol .....	68.00 <sup>1</sup>	22.89
Rose Hill .....	9.00	.54
Glenford .....	34.00	2.43
Wytheville .....	13.00	.18
St. Charles .....	7.00	10.54
Nickelville .....	5.00	.18
Salem .....	30.00	.60
Radford .....	50.00	2.10
Floyd .....	1.00	.06
Bristol City .....	3.00	.18
Marion .....		2.40
Lafayette .....	1.00	.06
Roanoke .....	5.00	.30
Wise .....	5.00	
Pennington Gap .....	2.00	.12
	\$257.00	\$49.54
Total principal and interest as above.....		\$306.54

## CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT

	Principal	Interest
Julian Chapel .....	\$ 34.00	\$ .24
Cleveland Circuit .....	15.00	2.90
Athens .....	365.52	157.59
Etowah .....	30.00	31.63
N. Athens .....	5.00	6.30
Athens Circuit .....	15.00	.30
South Pittsburgh .....	5.00	.51
Niota .....	3.00	.18
Soddy .....	5.00	13.80
F. View .....	15.00	11.40
St. Marks .....	14.00	11.07
St. James .....	35.00	15.75
Cleveland .....	1.00	.12
Englewood .....		6.00
Jasper .....	5.00	.30
Ridgedale .....	1.00	.06
Charleston .....	10.00	
Total .....	\$528.52	\$248.15
	\$528.52	
	248.15	
Total Principal and Interest .....	\$776.67	

## HARRIMAN DISTRICT

	Principal	Interest
New Tazewell .....	\$ 5.00	\$ 3.30
Maynardville .....	1.00	6.06
Decatur .....	2.00	
Dayton .....	3.00	
Rockwood .....	51.00	16.26
Clinton .....	71.00	3.36
Wells Springs .....	13.00	1.17
Sunbright .....	13.00	.48
Oliver Springs .....	6.00	4.10
Heiskell .....	12.00	1.47
Vine Grove .....	8.00	.33
Daisy .....	5.00	.30
LaFayette .....	6.00	12.36
Harriman .....	10.00	3.60
Crossville .....		7.20
Newcomb .....	6.00	.72
Andersonville .....	4.00	.48
Oak Dale .....	20.00	25.70
Liberty Hill .....	1.00	24.00



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Oliver Springs .....	2.00	1.68
Mayes Chapel .....	4.00	.60
Arthur .....		.44
Jellico .....		10.00
Total .....	\$243.00	\$123.61
	\$243.00	
	123.61	
Total Principal and Interest .....	\$366.61	

PAYMENTS OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST

TENNESSEE WESLEYAN COLLEGE

October 12, 1926 to October 1, 1927

JOHNSON CITY DISTRICT

	Principal	Interest
Greeneville Circuit .....	\$ 5.00	\$ 15.30
Limestone .....	35.00	.96
Greeneville .....	282.50	47.25
Mountain City .....	55.00	5.70
Parrottsville .....	20.00	1.26
Morristown .....	164.20	118.56
Johnson City .....	243.70	238.20
Mosheim .....	3.00	.18
Roan Mountain .....	4.00	.24
Fall Branch .....	10.00	.60
Elizabethton .....	117.00	10.57
Baileyton .....	7.00	6.78
Newport .....	231.41	12.25
Sulphur Springs .....	21.00	4.11
Mountain City Circuit .....	1.00	
Telford .....	7.00	.36
Kingsport .....	108.00	19.43
Bloomigdale .....		3.00
Surgoinsville .....	20.00	4.80
Total .....	\$1334.81	\$489.55
Total Principal and Interest as above.....	\$1,824.36	

## PAYMENTS OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST

## TENNESSEE WESLEYAN COLLEGE

October 12, 1926 to October 1, 1927

## KNOXVILLE DISTRICT

	Principal	Interest
Lonsdale Church .....	\$ 45.00	\$ 42.84
Oakwood .....	121.00	7.71
Dandridge .....	18.00	3.78
Park City .....	191.00	22.89
Little River .....	58.00	1.48
New Salem .....	600.00	9.00
Trinity .....	153.00	165.68
Friendsville .....		1.50
Maryville Circuit .....	53.00	27.38
Pigeon Forge .....	46.00	3.30
Maryville .....	73.50	5.88
Sevierville .....	45.00	8.76
Second Church .....	126.00	83.38
Thorne Grove .....	19.00	1.78
Vestal .....	131.00	74.38
First Church .....	470.00	153.55
Townsend .....	25.00	1.50
Jefferson City .....	11.00	1.86
Lenoir City .....	21.00	1.26
Sevierville Circuit .....	7.00	.12
Knoxville Circuit .....	12.00	
East Main .....	20.00	1.20
Chestnut Hill .....	10.00	1.64
South Knoxville .....	20.00	15.00
Fair Garden .....	7.00	2.34
Asbury .....		17.25
Pleasant Hill .....	3.00	
Lenoir City Circuit .....		6.00
Inskip .....	6.00	.18
Loudon .....		30.00
Fair View .....	5.00	.45
Alcoa .....		.09
Total .....	\$2,296.60	\$692.18

Total Principal and Interest as above.....\$2,988.78

## PAYMENTS TO MURPHY COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE

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Greeneville .....	\$120.00
Newport .....	163.00

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Johnson City .....	207.50
Salem .....	10.00
Clinton .....	15.00
Dandridge Circuit .....	472.66
Harriman .....	12.50
Kingsport .....	12.50
LaFollette .....	17.00
St. Charles .....	18.00
Pennington Gap .....	31.00
Maryville .....	27.00
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Total .....	\$1,106.16

## Report of Treasurer, Preachers' Aid Society

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Interest on the Lucy Waters Memorial Fund .....	\$ 33.00
Also check for interest on loans .....	2,915.76

Making a total of ..... \$2,948.76

These loans are all well placed on well improved real estate for not over 40 to 50 per cent of its actual value, and as further security insurance is carried in favor of the Preachers Aid Society.

Total resources to date is ..... \$47,200.00

### Made up as follows:

C. F. Walker .....	\$1,600.00
H. B. McMahan .....	1,400.00
J. B. Hedge .....	3,300.00
S. P. Angel .....	1,600.00
Sara M. James M. Church .....	1,750.00
B. M. Larson .....	3,000.00
Jr. Order and other Fraternal Organizations .....	6,000.00
Annie Porter .....	900.00
Annie Roberts .....	2,250.00
H. C. Thrasher .....	1,800.00
W. N. Layman .....	4,500.00
M. M. Carson .....	1,250.00
D. H. Shell .....	1,800.00
A. A. Hanks .....	2,000.00
M. H. Rambo .....	1,400.00
Hugh Wilson .....	1,000.00
A. F. Ray .....	700.00
J. M. Hicks .....	2,500.00
W. N. Layman .....	4,000.00
J. A. Parris .....	1,650.00
Frank Stowe .....	800.00
James Clarke .....	1,500.00

Total Loans ..... \$46,700.00

Hendricks County Ind. Bonds ..... 500.00

Total ..... \$47,200.00

Respectfully submitted,

G. F. LOCKMILLER,

Treasurer.

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### Interest Receipts

Nov. 19, 1926—W. N. Layman .....	\$ 135.00
Nov. 23, 1926—J. M. Hicks .....	75.00
Dec. 4, 1926—M. M. Carson .....	37.50
Dec. 10, 1926—Mr. Ray .....	21.00

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Dec. 12, 1926—H. County Ind. Bonds (Int.) .....	10.00
Dec. 20, 1926—W. N. Layman .....	87.95
Feb. 16, 1927—Hugh Wilson .....	30.00
Feb. 16, 1927—Jas. B. Hedge .....	99.00
Feb. 18, 1927—Jr. O. U. A. M. ....	180.00
Feb. 28, 1927—Mr. Roddy .....	120.00
Mar. 9, 1927—H. McMahan .....	42.00
Mar. 9, 1927—S. P. Angel .....	48.00
Mar. 15, 1927—Sara M. James M. Church .....	52.40
April 14, 1927—A. A. Hanks .....	60.00
April 16, 1927—H. Thrasher .....	54.00
April 16, 1927—B. M. Larson .....	105.00
April 20, 1927—J. F. Shell .....	54.00
April 21, 1927—Roberts .....	67.50
May 6, 1927—Roddy .....	53.33
May 13, 1927—Annie Porter .....	27.00
May 28, 1927—Mr. Hicks .....	75.00
June 23, 1927—Sara M. James M. Church .....	52.50
June 2, 1927—M. M. Carson .....	37.50
July 14, 1927—Mr. Ray .....	21.00
July 27, 1927—Int. Hendricks C. Bonds .....	10.00
July 28, 1927—C. F. Walker .....	96.00
Aug. 3, 1927—H. D. Wilson .....	30.00
Aug. 6, 1927—H. B. McMahan .....	42.00
Aug. 13, 1927—Jas. B. Hedge .....	99.00
Aug. 23, 1927—Jr. O. U. A. M. ....	180.00
Sept. 10, 1927—W. N. Layman .....	93.47
Sept. 17, 1927—S. P. Angel .....	48.00
Sept. 30, 1927—J. F. Shell .....	54.00
Oct. 3, 1927—B. M. Larson .....	90.00
Oct. 3, 1927—Sara M. James M. Church .....	52.85
Oct. 4, 1927—A. A. Hanks .....	60.00
Oct. 5, 1927—W. E. Clarke .....	45.00
Oct. 5, 1927—Mrs. Roberts .....	67.50
Oct. 17, 1927—Miss Porter .....	27.00
Oct. 17, 1927—W. N. Layman .....	270.00
Oct. 17, 1927—H. C. Thrasher .....	54.00
Oct. 18, 1927—M. H. Rambo .....	85.26

**\$2,948.76**

Interest on Lucy Waters Fund.....\$ 33.00

Interest on Manker Memorial Fund ..... 2,915.76

**Total .....\$2,948.76**

## PERMANENT FUND ACCOUNT

Oct. 20, 1926, to balance .....	\$ 29.00
Nov. 17, 1926, to amount sent in by M. C. Bruner.....	12.25
Nov. 24, 1926, to amount sent in by W. F. Pitts .....	43.00
Feb. 3, 1927, to Mrs. J. A. Patten .....	100.00
April 19, 1927, Paid on Loan, by B. M. Larson.....	500.00



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May 6, 1927, Paid on loan by S. R. Roddy .....	4,000.00
June 17, 1927, Mrs. J. A. Patten .....	100.00
Sept. 1, 1927, Mrs. J. A. Patten .....	100.00
Oct. 4, 1927 Brought forward from expense account.....	134.13
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	\$5,018.38

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#### NEW LOANS

May 16, 1927—W. N. Layman .....	\$1,068.38
June 9, 1927—J. A. Parris .....	1,650.00
Aug. 22, 1927—Frank Stowe .....	800.00
Oct. 4, 1927—James Clarke .....	1,500.00
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	\$5,018.38

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#### EXPENSE ACCOUNT RECEIPTS

Oct. 20, 1926, To balance on hand .....	\$253.28
Oct. 28, 1926, Dues D. C. Slagle .....	2.00
Nov. 17, 1926, Dues M. C. Bruner .....	107.00
Dec. 6, 1926, Mrs. John A. Patten .....	100.00
Jan. 5, 1927, Dues D. L. Howell .....	2.00
Feb. 3, 1927, Mrs. John A. Patten .....	50.00
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Total .....	\$514.28

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#### DISBURSEMENTS

Nov. 15, 1926, O. R. Tarwater, expenses .....	\$ 5.60
Nov. 15, 1926, G. F. Lockmiller, expenses .....	5.00
Nov. 27, 1926, M. C. Bruner, expenses .....	3.00
Feb. 8, 1927, Bond for Treasurer .....	125.00
June 3, 1927, R. L. Stapleton, expenses .....	5.00
Oct. 4, 1927, Passed to permanent fund acct. ....	134.13
Oct. 18, 1927, Balance on hand .....	236.55
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Total .....	\$514.28

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# MEMOIRS

J. W. McGEE

Rev. J. W. McGee went home to heaven August 7, 1926. His departure was from his residence, Knoxville, Tenn., after several months illness. He was born June 24, 1852, in Macon County, North Carolina. When a young man, he studied for the ministry and was admitted to the Holston Conference on trial in 1886, and was ordained in 1888 by Bishop Mallalieu, as a deacon and was ordained as an elder by Bishop Foss in 1892. His pastorates cover the following charges. Holston: South Pittsburg, Tenn., 1886 to 1887; Tracy City 1889-1890; Clinton 1891-1892; Bristol and Elizabethton 1893. Elizabethton and Carnegie 1894; Chuckey 1895-1896; Fall Branch 1896-1899; Little River 1900-1902; Knoxville Circuit in 1903; Morristown Circuit 1904; Rutledge 1905; Oakwood 1906-1907. The fall of 1907 he went to Oklahoma, accepting a church; he continued active in church work until he had to give it up on account of his health. He retired in 1911.

The funeral service was held at Park City M. E. Church. Dr. G. T. Francisco being in charge, assisted by Dr. W. F. Pitts, pastor of Park City Church, and other ministers. His brethren in the ministry, the Rev. W. K. Wilkerson, the Rev. J. M. Dew, the Rev. H. M. Hawk, the Rev. E. M. Boyd, were the pallbearers. His body was laid to rest in beautiful Woodlawn cemetery. He was married twice. His first wife being Miss Nannie L. Long, daughter of the Rev. W. R. Long, of Holston Conference. To this union were born three daughters and two sons; Caddie, Gem, Elizabeth, W. W. McGhee and J. E. McGhee. He is survived by his widow and five daughters; Mrs. Leonard Peters, Mrs. Chas. H. Blake, Misses Mary, Nina and Helen McGhee and also four sons. W. W. of Macon, Ga., J. E. McGhee, who is teaching in the University of Michigan. A. N. and Paul McGhee of Buffalo, New York. Mrs. Leonard Peters, Mrs. Chas. H. Blake, W. W. McGhee and John E. McGhee, being children by his first wife, who died March 13, 1901. He also leaves four brothers.

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## MRS. G. W. COLEMAN

Sarah Elizabeth Runyon, daughter of Elias and Martha Crockett Runyon, was born November 29, 1838, in Champaign County, Ohio, and died at her home in Cleveland, Tenn., July 2 1927, aged eighty-seven years. She was married to the Rev. G. W. Coleman, April 23, 1863, and to this union five children were born, two of whom—Mrs. R. J. Miller and Lawrence Beecher Coleman—both of Chattanooga, preceded her in death. Surviving are three daughters: Mrs. T. L. Rogers, Cleveland, Tenn.; Mrs. C. H. Jennings, Wahsington, D. C., and Mrs. W. C. Fawcett, Martins Ferry, Ohio; one brother and one sister, both

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of Woodstock, Ohio; also eleven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. Mrs. Coleman was brought up in a Presbyterian home. Before her marriage she attended a revival meeting conducted by Bro. Coleman, was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, to which she remained a faithful and loyal member until her death. In 1866 the Rev. and Mrs. Coleman came to Tennessee. The Rev. Coleman joined the Holston Conference, and his devoted companion shared with him in those days of struggle all the hardships of that re-construction period. Days of hardship they were—salary almost nothing—yet she never complained. Wholly unselfish, denying herself, and always giving up the best, truly it can be said, "She lived for others." She was active in all branches of church work, especially in the Sunday school and missionary societies, always faithful in her attendance at church, a real mother to her pastors, her home a haven of rest for many, and brightened by her lovely life of devotion to her family. The funeral service was conducted at the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Cleveland, Tenn., by her pastor, the Rev. W. L. Oliver, assisted by Bishop R. J. Cooke, who gave a beautiful tribute to the memory of this dear saint; also Dr. J. M. Melear, Dr. W. M. Dye, the Rev. W. A. Smith and Dr. Arlo A. Brown had a part in the service. The body was laid to rest on a beautiful knoll in Fort Hill Cemetery, Cleveland, Tenn., beneath a mass of floral offerings, a tribute of respect and love to the memory of her who gave her entire life to her family and the church. She has gone, but the memory of what she has been to us will live on forever.

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#### MRS. JAMES M. MELEAR

Grace Gertrude Stafford was born April 30, 1884. She was married October 19, 1905, to the Rev. Dr. James M. Melear, Knoxville, Tennessee, Bishop Charles H. Fowler, officiating. Two children blessed this union—Gertrude Elizabeth, now Mrs. Frank U. Lockmiller, and Mary Louise. Mrs. Melear went to her heavenly home March 1, 1927. In announcing her death in the Southeastern Christian Advocate, of which her husband is editor, Bishop Cooke wrote:

**"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."**

So is ever sounding out the Voice of Triumph over Death. It is the Voice of Cheer to the sorrowing from the unseen glory where there is neither sorrow nor sighing, nor any more death. The readers of this Advocate and the whole Church in this region will utter this affirmation in their hearts when they read this announcement that on March 1, Mrs. Grace Gertrude Melear, the dearly loved wife of the Rev. Dr. James M. Melear, Editor of this Advocate, passed away beyond earth's shadows to Eternal Light and Life in the fellowship of the Redeemer. The editor, Dr. Melear, has recorded many times with sorrow the death of friends and church members in the columns of this paper; now another hand than his writes for him in his hour of grief these sad lines. But who can speak what the heart feels? Mrs. Melear had not been in good health for some time, but hope that a brighter day would dawn, that the old-time strength and gladness would return, gradually faded away despite all that watchful love

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could do. She loved her home and clung to it with all the strength of a woman's heart, endeavoring to lighten the shadow that was slowly creeping over her loved ones. On the very day of her death she sat with her little family at the noon-day meal. It was the last time. That afternoon cerebral hemorrhage parted her from them and she went away in the peace of God to her heavenly home.

From childhood up Mrs. Melear lived the Christian life. That life was as natural to her as the air she breathed. She knew no other. Her quiet disposition, her gentle ways and kindly heart, made more beautiful by tenderest affection on those who clung to her with deepest devotion, made friends for God wherever she lived. Her influence was springlike, bringing out with warmth and geniality the blessed best that was in one and strengthening with invigorating courage the broken in spirit in the day of his adversity. She was God's good gift to him who now sits in the shadow mourning for "the touch of a vanished hand and the sound of a voice that is still." But God's Comforter is still with us! He will not leave us alone, and we shall never be so little alone as when alone with Him. Doctor Melear will have the sympathy of his brethren throughout the Church and the prayers of all that the comfort he brought to others in their days of grief may now come to him in super-abundance through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ "Who brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel."

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#### REV. JOHN KIRK RUMBURG

The Rev. John Kirk Rumburg was born August 14, 1853. He passed to his eternal rest from his home at Check, Virginia on January 8, 1927, being more than seventy-two years old at his death.

He was twice married. His first wife, Margaret L. E. Graham having died November 27th, 1905. To this union were born eight children, four of whom survive their father. In 1906 he was married to Miss Ella Perdue and to this union were born nine children, one having died in infancy. He leaves his wife and twelve children as well as a host of friends to mourn for him who is not, for God took him.

Brother Rumburg entered the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church when quite young. He was admitted on trial in the Virginia Conference in 1878, full member 1880, ordained deacon by Bishop Merrill, elder by Bishop Simpson 1882, and served faithfully until forced to retire on account of ill health. He served as District Superintendent two terms in Roanoke District and as pastor of some of the best Churches with splendid success. He denounced sin with the courage of a Daniel but loved the sinner with a love kin to that of Jesus. He was a man of few equals when it came to preaching, and was loved not only by his own Church but by all denominations.

The end came suddenly but was not unexpected. He expressed a willing resignation to the will of God and was in great peace. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. Woodward his pastor, assisted by Rev. N. A. Conner, in the presence of a crowded Church of sorrowing friends. His body was laid to rest in the Wilson Cemetery beneath a mound of beautiful flowers.



### REV. J. D. ROBERSON

The Rev. J. D. Roberson, Loudon, Tenn., a retired minister of the Holston Conference, passed away in holy triumph to his home in heaven November 22, 1926. He was admitted on trial in Holston Conference 1875, and into full membership 1877. At that time the Conference embraced part of North Carolina. His appointments were as follows: Holston: Franklin and Webster, N. C., 1875; Catawba, 1876; Hendersonville, 1877; Kingsport, 1878; Jonesboro, 1879; Jonesboro and Johnson City, 1880. Blue Ridge Conference: Greensboro District, 1880-81; Asheville District, 1882-85; Bakersville District, 1886-88; Asheville District, 1889-90; Montezuma, 1891-93. Holston: Loudon, 1894; Athens, 1895; Clinton District, 1896-1901; Chuckey, 1902; Newport, 1903; Cleveland, 1904-07; Harriman, 1908-10; Loudon, 1911; Dayton, 1912; Loudon, 1913-15; retired, 1916. Impressive funeral services were conducted by his pastor, the Rev. T. O. Marshall, and Dr. J. M. Emert. Brother Roberson was one of our ablest preachers. We succeeded him at Athens and heard many good things concerning his work. The call to preach came to him early and he made the great adventure. He was never passive or inactive. Marching forward, he caught a vision of human achievement, saw the church with unfurled banners, Christ as the Redeemer of humanity, and was ever happy in presenting Him to the world. He never counted the cost. He braved the storms, endured hardships, fought valiantly, and toiled uncompromisingly on small salaries. Entranced by the bloom and beauty of life coveted the best gifts, welcomed the hardest fields, and won the promised crown. He was great enough to put all the kingdoms of the world behind him rather than forfeit his birthright as a son of God. He wanted to know Christ and the power of His resurrection. He went farther. He desired to enter into the fellowship of His sufferings, he made conformable to His death, and to apprehend the meaning and measure of life. He lived without guile. He reflected the moral beauty of God. He came out into the open. His light shone. He was changed from glory to glory by the Spirit of the Lord. He felt the illuminating splendor of something divine in him. It was there in heroic impulse, glorious aspiration and splendid achievement. And when the final page of his earthly life was written it bore the record, forever ineffaceable, that the ascent of the soul had been ransomed by Christ while the preacher through sacrifice and suffering followed the gleam. Death found him ready. He climbed the hill Beulah, heard the golden trumpeters of God, saw the river of life, the gates of pearl, the sea of glass, and lo! his faith transmitted all sorrow into joy, weakness into strength, sickness into health, defeat into victory, and death into life.

### MRS. J. B. KEISTER

Mrs. J. B. Keister, the beloved wife of the Rev. J. B. Keister, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fighener, at Roanoke, Va., on March 21, 1927, at the age of 83 years.

In the last few years of her life she was greatly afflicted, but she endured it all as a child of God until the end came, and died happy in Christ, whom she had served from childhood; having been a loyal member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. She was a great help to her husband in his ministry, in leading the lost to Christ.

REV. J. H. FORD, Pastor.



# OUR SAINTED DEAD

"These all died in the faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth."—Heb. 11:13.

Name	Born	Admitted Conf.	Died	Where Buried
John Tunnell.....	1755	1777—Virginia.....	July, 1790.....	Dew's Chapel, West Virginia
Moses Black.....	1769	1796—S. Carolina.....	Feb. 3, 1809.....	Abingdon, Virginia
Geo. Atkin.....		1817—Ohio.....	1827.....	
J. G. H. Spear.....		1821—Tennessee.....	1833.....	
Harvey B. Cumming.....		1829—Holston.....	1835.....	
John Henninger.....	Dec. 16, 1784.....	1807—Western.....	Dec. 23, 1838.....	Cleveland, Tennessee
Arnold Patton.....	Oct. 10, 1809.....	1829—Holston.....	April 5, 1839.....	Lebanon, Russell County, Virginia
Jno. Craig.....		1807—Western.....	1840.....	
Mitchell Martin.....		1837—Holston.....	1840.....	Charleston, Tennessee
W. B. Murphy.....		1833—Holston.....	1842.....	
Ira Falls.....		1832—Holston.....	August, 1844.....	Kingston, Tennessee
Willis Ingle.....	1798.....	1844—Holston.....	Oct. 29, 1867.....	Craig's Mill, Washington Co., Virginia
David Fleming.....	May 4, 1779.....	1824—Holston.....	Aug. 28, 1868.....	Kingston, Tennessee
Jas. Cumming.....	Oct. 26, 1787.....	1820—Tennessee.....	June 20, 1870.....	Shilo, Sevier County, Tennessee
W. A. Marshall.....	April 12, 1819.....	1869—Holston.....	Sept. 29, 1871.....	Klontz Chapel, Clay Co., North Carolina
W. H. H. Duggan.....	July 3, 1815.....	1845—Holston.....	Aug. 11, 1872.....	Wilson Station, McMinn Co., Tennessee
Joseph Milburn.....	Jan. 23, 1800.....	1855—Holston.....	Jan. 18, 1873.....	Milburnton, Greene County, Tennessee
Isaac Forkner.....	Dec. 25, 1790.....	1867—Holston.....	April 7, 1873.....	Otis, Hawkins, County Tennessee
Jno. Leach.....		1826—Pittsburg.....	1873.....	
Robert Clark.....		1870—Holston.....	Aug. 9, 1873.....	
N. E. Cobleigh.....	Nov. 24, 1814.....	1844—N. England.....	Feb. 1, 1874.....	Atlanta, Georgia
Elijah Still.....	Sept. 4, 1805.....	1831—Holston.....	April 12, 1875.....	Red Hill, Bradley County, Tennessee
Samuel Patterson.....		1868—Holston.....	Mar. 21, 1875.....	
M. H. P. Burkett.....	Jan. 11, 1811.....	1864—Kentucky.....	Nov. 12, 1875.....	Chatata, Bradley County, Tennessee
W. P. Fair.....		1870—Holston.....	Dec. 13, 1876.....	
Wm. Milburn.....	Sept. 16, 1797.....	1845—Holston.....	Sept. 22, 1877.....	Milburnton, Greene County, Tennessee
J. M. Adams.....	July 22, 1840.....	1866—Virginia.....	July 9, 1878.....	Pattonsville, Virginia
R. H. Guthrie.....	Mar. 27, 1820.....	1851—Holston.....	May 20, 1881.....	Harrison, Hamilton County, Tennessee

# OUR SAINTED DEAD—Continued

Name	Born	Admitted Conf	Died	Where Buried
G. W. Henninger	Feb. 2, 1851	1874—Holston	Apr. 23, 1881	Fanning's Chapel, Henderson Co., N. C.
Jno. Forrester	May 7, 1801	1861—Holston	Dec. 3, 1881	Burrville, Tennessee
Spencer Henry	Oct. 24, 1805	1868—Holston	June 3, 1883	Carpenter's C. G., Blount Co., Tenn.
B. F. Wells	July 15, 1813	1838—Holston	May 16, 1884	Leicester, North Carolina
W. B. Ballinger	June 25, 1825	1852—Holston	Oct. 15, 1884	Chilkutt's Chapel, Bradley Co., Tenn.
J. R. Hughes	May 7, 1839	1867—Holston	May 13, 1886	Greeneville, Tennessee
J. P. Milburn	Feb. 5, 1832	1861—Holston	Oct. 20, 1886	Milburnton, Greene County, Tennessee
Daniel Carter	Oct. 6, 1813	1865—Holston	Aug. 30, 1887	Carter's Cemetery, Jefferson Co., Tenn.
J. W. Holden	Oct. 29, 1858	1885—Holston	Sept. 18, 1887	Titusville, Florida
J. F. Morrison	Mar. 19, 1826	1869—Virginia	June 26, 1887	Locust Springs, Greene Co., Tenn.
N. G. Taylor	Dec. 29, 1819	1872—Holston	Apr. 1, 1887	Happy Valley, Carter County, Tenn.
Lemuel Bogart	Apr. 29, 1808	1866—Holston	May 3, 1888	Cumming's Chapel, Sevier Co., Tenn.
W. T. Jones	Feb. 27, 1861	1882—Holston	July 28, 1888	Rockwood, Tennessee
Moses Seaton	June 2, 1829	1857—Holston	Apr. 17, 1889	Cedar Grove, Greene County, Tenn.
Wm. M. Haskell	June 11, 1818	1844—Mississippi	Feb. 8, 1890	New Salem, Knox County, Tenn.
C. S. Long	Jan. 3, 1850	1875—Holston	Oct. 14, 1890	Athens, Tennessee
W. H. Rogers	Mar. 22, 1813	1832—Holston	Mar. 17, 1891	Cleveland, Tennessee
E. B. Clark	Oct. 10, 1830	1869—Holston	Apr. 3, 1891	Wesleyana, McMinn County, Tenn.
W. D. Smith	Jan. 28, 1832	1867—Georgia	July 4, 1891	Sugar Creek, Bradley County, Tenn.
G. M. Hicks	May 11, 1833	1862—Holston	July 17, 1893	Chestee, Monroe County, Tenn.
H. J. Crumley	July 25, 1822	1869—Holston	Apr. 28, 1894	Pippin's Church, Washington Co., Va.
A. B. Wright	Nov. 3, 1826	1867—Holston	Nov. 9, 1893	Burrville, Tennessee
J. N. Penley		1872—Virginia	1893	Dryden, Virginia
J. G. Grace		1874—Virginia	1877	Bethel, Virginia
J. P. Morton	Aug. 26, 1855	1889—Holston	Sept. 15, 1894	Clinton, Tennessee
A. G. Watkins	May 5, 1818	1867—Holston	Nov. 9, 1895	Jefferson City, Tennessee
A. J. Greer	Dec. 18, 1832	1856—Holston	Nov. 20, 1895	New Tazewell, Tennessee
S. B. Scott	Nov. 3, 1829	1877—Holston	Jan. 6, 1896	Oliver Springs, Tennessee
W. C. Graves	Aug. 13, 1815	1834—Holston	Jan. 29, 1896	Morristown, Tennessee
E. L. Fillmore	June 11, 1864	1891—S Dakota	Aug. 12, 1896	White Oak Cemetery, Chattanooga, Tenn.

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Name	Born	Admitted Conf.	Died	Where Buried
D. B. Lawton.....	June 5, 1814.....	1836—B. River.....	May 12, 1896.....	Interlochin, Florida
D. S. Hodsden.....	Feb. 28, 1848.....	1875—Holston.....	Dec. 25, 1896.....	Maryville, Tennessee
J. H. Jameson.....	May 26, 1869.....	1894—Holston.....	Jan. 20, 1897.....	Bowling Green, Ohio
Jno. W. Mann.....	Aug. 9, 1835.....	1857—Holston.....	May 30, 1897.....	South Knoxville, Tennessee
W. C. Dailey.....	Oct. 16, 1818.....	1843—Holston.....	June 27, 1897.....	South Knoxville, Tennessee
A. F. Creswell.....	Feb. 3, 1848.....	1875—Holston.....	June 10, 1897.....	Ebenezer, Jefferson County, Tennessee
Daniel Richardson.	Sept. 11, 1832.....	1868—Holston.....	June 30, 1897.....	Straight Creek, Claiborne Co., Tennessee
Samuel Greer.....	Sept. 22, 1811.....	1867—Holston.....	Oct. 9, 1897.....	Scarboro, Tennessee
J. U. Davis.....	Mar. 4, 1876.....	1899—Holston.....	Feb. 11, 1900.....	Thorn Grove, Knox County, Tennessee
L. O. Crowder.....	Feb. 10, 1844.....	1870—Mississippi.....	Jan. 11, 1900.....	Spring Creek, Mississippi
P. H. Scaraborough	April 12, 1870.....	1899—Holston.....	Oct. 31, 1902.....	Concord, Tennessee
T. H. Russell.....	June 23, 1833.....	1859—Holston.....	Apr. 11, 1902.....	Sunbright, Tennessee
J. B. Fitzgerald.....	Sept. 26, 1826.....	1850—Holston.....	May 30, 1902.....	Chucky, Tennessee
P. H. Reed.....	Mar. 19, 1830.....	1853—Holston.....	May 6, 1904.....	Greeneville, Tennessee
J. B. Seaton.....	Dec. 28, 1831.....	1867—Holston.....	Apr. 8, 1905.....	Wildwood, Blount County, Tennessee
G. M. Stout.....	July 10, 1859.....	1892—Holston.....	Oct. 12, 1905.....	Andersonville, Tennessee
G. B. Cox.....	Dec. 20, 1848.....	1884—Holston.....	Nov. 27, 1905.....	Sulphur Springs, Washington Co., Tenn.
Geo. Julian.....	July 10, 1812.....	1868—Holston.....	Mar. 5, 1906.....	Tyner's Station, Tennessee
W. R. Long.....	Feb. 23, 1819.....	1844—Holston.....	May 23, 1906.....	Athens, Tennessee
Jno. C. Hodge.....	Aug. 16, 1847.....	1888—Holston.....	Aug. 23, 1906.....	Whitehorn, Tennessee
J. D. Lawson.....	Jan. 12, 1826.....	1868—Holston.....	Nov. 15, 1906.....	Wear's Valley, Sevier County, Tenn.
Wm. Kinsland.....	Sept. 26, 1836.....	1857—Holston.....	Aug. 9, 1907.....	Joppa, Grainger County, Tennessee
R. O. Ayers.....	Sept. 13, 1831.....	1864—Cincinnati.....	Oct. 7, 1907.....	Cedar Spring, McMinn County, Tenn.
Robt. Walker.....	Aug. 24, 1865.....	1897—Holston.....	Dec. 24, 1907.....	Wildwood, Blount County, Tennessee
G. W. Chase.....	Oct. 22, 1850.....	1873—Georgia.....	Feb. 10, 1908.....	Cleveland, Tennessee
T. G. Clendenen.....	Mar. 5, 1852.....	1889—Holston.....	May 26, 1908.....	Wildwood, Blount County, Tennessee
T. A. Cass.....	Jan. 13, 1836.....	1861—Holston.....	June 16, 1909.....	Cedar Springs, McMinn County, Tenn.
J. B. Little.....	Feb. 7, 1826.....	1852—Holston.....	June 29, 1909.....	Fincastle, Campbell County, Tennessee
T. S. Walker.....	May 24, 1840.....	1861—Holston.....	June 30, 1909.....	Maryville, Tennessee
S. W. Hyden.....	Dec. 15, 1823.....	1861—Holston.....	Aug. 5, 1909.....	Morristown, Tennessee

# OUR SAINTED DEAD—Continued

Name	Born	Admitted Conf.	Died	Where Buried
T. D. Rowe.....	Sept. 11, 1876.....	1898—B. Ridge.....	Feb. 15, 1910.....	Roan Mountain, Tennessee
J. L. Cardwell.....	Sept. 20, 1832.....	1866—Holston.....	Oct. 20, 1910.....	Witt's Foundry Hamblen Co., Tenn.
J. S. Petty.....	June 24, 1838.....	1866—Holston.....	Feb. 4, 1911.....	National Cemetery, Chattanooga, Tenn.
P. H. Henry.....	Mar. 25, 1838.....	1878—Holston.....	June 25, 1911.....	Maryville, Tennessee
L. B. Caldwell.....	Jan. 10, 1834.....	1856—Bay Quinte.....	Nov. 11, 1911.....	Chattanooga, Tennessee
Jno. F. Spence.....	Feb. 3, 1828.....	1853—Cincinnati.....	June 24, 1912.....	Knoxville, Tennessee
J. F. Perry.....	Aug. 4, 1848.....	1872—Holston.....	April 1, 1912.....	Pleasant Hill, Meigs County, Tennessee
I. A. Pearce.....	Jan. 1, 1839.....	1860—Pittsburgh.....	April 5, 1912.....	Knoxville, Tennessee
W. C. Miller.....	Jan. 9, 1852.....	1882—Holston.....	June 18, 1912.....	Knoxville, Tennessee
M. A. Rule.....	Apr. 4, 1844.....	1875—Holston.....	Mar. 20, 1912.....	Beaver Ridge, Knox County, Tennessee
M. C. Robertson.....	Nov. 28, 1847.....	1879—Holston.....	June 18, 1912.....	Pigeon Forge, Sevier County, Tennessee
A. Y. Snaveley.....	July 5, 1846.....	1889—Holston.....	Nov. 8, 1911.....	Well Spring, Tennessee
Thos. B. Russell.....	Nov. 22, 1854.....	1875—Holston.....	Oct. 11, 1912.....	Johnson City, Tennessee
Noble C. Burkhardt.....	Feb. 26, 1844.....	1887—Virginia.....	Jan. 7, 1914.....	Hubbard Springs, Virginia
John H. Jennings.....	Aug. 22, 1837.....	1869—Holston.....	Jan. 14, 1914.....	Washington County, Tennessee
G. T. Newcomb.....	July 14, 1847.....	1878—Michigan.....	Feb. 17, 1914.....	Chattanooga, Tennessee
R. A. Scott.....	Mar. 22, 1842.....	1872—Virginia.....	May 10, 1914.....	Hatcher's Cemetery, Roanoke Co., Va.
J. M. Durhan.....	Nov. 1, 1842.....	1867—Holston.....	July 19, 1914.....	Knoxville, Tennessee
W. C. Halton.....	June 14, 1866.....	1901—B. Ridge.....	Oct. 1, 1914.....	Rockwood, Tennessee
J. N. Baker.....	Jan. 10, 1839.....	1869—Holston.....	Oct. 8, 1914.....	Fall Branch, Tennessee
S. D. Tuttle.....	Sept. 17, 1866.....	1897—Georgia.....	July 26, 1915.....	Dayton, Tennessee
J. J. Manker.....	Dec. 24, 1839.....	1866—Holston.....	May 16, 1916.....	Chattanooga, Tennessee
Benjamin Crist.....		1853—Wisconsin.....	Jan. 1916.....	Millarstown, Pa.
James A. Ruble.....	Nov. 4, 1844.....	1866—Holston.....	Oct. 29, 1916.....	Maryville, Tennessee
James B. Keister.....	Apr. 19, 1844.....	1892—Virginia.....	Dec. 17, 1916.....	Roanoke, Virginia
Isaac N. Pippin.....	June 26, 1847.....	1883—Virginia.....	Apr. 24, 1917.....	Pippin Cemetery, Virginia
Thomas R. West.....	Sept. 3, 1838.....	1861—Holston.....	May 1, 1917.....	Athens, Tennessee
Adam C. Peters.....	Nov. 6, 1843.....	1872—Holston.....	May 31, 1917.....	Burrrville, Tennessee
James A. Baker.....	Dec. 25, 1853.....	1879—Holston.....	Sept. 6, 1917.....	Knoxville, Tennessee
F. M. Cones.....	Nov. 17, 1832.....	1875—Holston.....	Sept. 26, 1917.....	Old Cemetery, Thornton, Indiana



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Name	Born	Admitted Conf.	Died	Where Buried
James M. Newton	Apr. 14, 1838	1881—Virginia	Oct. 4, 1918	Gate City, Virginia
Giles A. Conner	Mar. 29, 1842	1870—Virginia	Nov. 10, 1918	Piedmont Cemetery, Oty, Virginia
W. A. Martin	May 19, 1869	1893—Georgia	Jan. 22, 1920	Mt. Zion, Georgia
A. G. Cadle	Mar. 17, 1851	1886—Holston	Jan. 5, 1920	Hurst Cemetery, Middlesboro, Kentucky
J. H. Stevenson	Apr. 16, 1860	1916—Troy	Dec. 20, 1919	Mt. Olivet, Nashville, Tennessee
Alwyn Atkins	Aug. 5, 1890	1914—N. E. South	Mar. 22, 1921	Oak Grove Cemetery, Fall River, Mass.
William V. Elliott	Dec. 15, 1841	1881—Virginia	Apr. 10, 1922	Mt. Pleasant, Virginia
Jasper N. Sadler	Jan. 3, 1879	1913—Holston	Sept. 22, 1922	White Oak Cem'ty, Chattanooga, Tenn.
Robert E. Ayers	May 23, 1874	1901—Holston	Nov. 27, 1921	Cedar Springs, McMinn Co., Tennessee
John C. Harmon	Feb. 21, 1855	1889—Holston	Feb. 2, 1923	Union Cemetery, Newport, Tennessee
W. W. Hooper	Oct. 18, 1843	1890—Holston	Feb. 23, 1923	Chattanooga, Tennessee
G. H. Thomson	Apr. 15, 1845	1901—Holston	Feb. 25, 1923	Smith's Chapel, Simpson, Virginia
T. H. Hodge	Sept. 27, 1848	1876—Virginia	Apr. 4, 1923	Monte Vista, Johnson City, Tennessee
H. B. Ogle	Jan. 28, 1848	1874—Holston	June 27, 1923	Middle Creek, Sevier County, Tennessee
William R. Byerly	July 12, 1856	1888—Holston	Feb. 21, 1924	Baileytown, Tennessee
Burton M. Martin	Oct. 15, 1866	1881—Holston	May 30, 1924	Forest Hill Cemetery, Chattanooga, Tenn.
N. K. Rowe	May 3, 1868	1894—Holston	Apr. 30, 1925	Unicoi County, Tennessee
John Sanders	Apr. 22, 1867	1911—Holston	Dec. 17, 1924	Magnolia Cemetery, Maryville, Tenn.
G. C. Williams	Sept. 21, 1874	1902—Wilmington	Nov. 12, 1925	Silver Lake Cemetery, Dover, Delaware
J. W. McGhee	June 24, 1852	1886—Holston	Aug. 7, 1926	Woodlawn Cemetery, Knoxville, Tenn.
M. H. Monroe	June 29, 1825	1886—Holston	June 19, 1926	Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Anderson Co.
T. R. Baker	July 30, 1866	1902—Georgia	Mar. 10, 1826	Mt. Gilead Cemetery, Benn Hill, Ga.
E. A. Bishop	Aug. 24, 1852	1902—Erie	Dec. 20, 1925	Green Mount Cemetery, Montpelier, Vt.
J. J. Robinette	Feb. 16, 1853	1878—Holston	Dec. 7, 1825	Woodlawn Cemetery, Knoxville, Tenn.
E. C. Ferguson	Oct. 6, 1846	1874—New E.	March 28, 1926	Quincy, Illinois
J. D. Roberson	Feb. 27, 1849	1875—Holston	Nov. 22, 1926	Robeson's Cemetery, Loudon, Tenn.
J. K. Rumborg	Aug. 14, 1853	1878—Virginia	Jan. 8, 1927	Wilson's Cemetery, Simpson's, Va.



# HOLSTON ANNUAL CONFERENCE

## METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sessions of Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church  
in the "Holston Country"

Yr.	Time	Place	Bishop	Secretary
1788	May 13	Keywoods, Va.....	Francis Asbury.....	.....
1790	May 14	Masterson's, Va.....	Francis Asbury.....	.....
1792	May 12	Huffakers, Va.....	Francis Asbury.....	.....
1793	Apr. 15	Nashville, Tenn.....	.....	.....
1794	Apr. 15	Kentucky.....	.....	.....
1795	May 1	Kentucky.....	.....	.....
1796	Apr. 20	Dawes, Tenn.....	Francis Asbury.....	.....
1797	May 1	Bethel, Ky.....	.....	.....
1798	May 2	Holston, Tenn.....	Francis Asbury.....	.....
1799	May 1	Bethel, Ky.....	.....	.....
1800	Apr. 4	Dunworth.....	.....	.....

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

Yr.	Time	Place	Bishop	Secretary
1800	Oct. 6	Bethel Academy, Ky.	Francis Asbury.....	William Burk
1801	Oct. 1	Ebenezer, Tenn.....	Francis Asbury.....	William Burk
1802	Oct. 1	Bethel, Cumberland County, Tenn.....	Francis Asbury.....	William Burk
1803	Oct. 2	Mt. Gerizim, Ky.....	Francis Asbury.....	William Burk
1804	Oct. 2	Mt. Gerizim, Ky.....	Wm. M'Kendree.....	William Burk
1805	Oct. 2	Anthony Houston's Scott Co., Ky.....	{ Francis Asbury.. { Rich. Whatcoat..	William Burk
1806	Sept. 15	Ebenezer, Tenn.....	Francis Asbury.....	William Burk
1807	Sept. 14	Chillicothe, Ohio.....	Francis Asbury.....	William Burk
1808	Oct. 1	Liberty Hill, Tenn...	Francis Asbury.....	William Burk
1809	Sept. 30	Cincinnati, Ohio.....	{ Wm. M'Kendree.. { Francis Asbury...	William Burk
1810	Nov. 1	New Chapel, Shelby County, Ky.....	Wm. M'Kendree.....	William Burk
1811	Oct. 1	Cincinnati, Ohio.....	Wm. M'Kendree.....	Le'ar Blackburn

### TENNESSEE CONFERENCE

Yr.	Time	Place	Bishop	Secretary
1812	Nov. 12	Fountain H'd, Tenn.	{ Francis Asbury.. { Wm. M'Kendree..	William B. Elgin
1813	Oct 1	Ree's Chapel, Tenn..	{ Francis Asbury.. { Wm. M'Kendree..	William B. Elgin
1814	Sept. 29	Kennerlys, Ky.....	{ Francis Asbury.. { Wm. M'Kendree..	Thos. L. Douglas
1815	Oct. 20	Bethel, Ky.....	{ Francis Asbury.. { Wm. M'Kendree..	Thos. L. Douglas
1816	Oct 26	Franklin, Tenn.....	Wm. M'Kendree.....	Thos. L. Douglas
1817	Oct 30	Franklin, Tenn.....	*T. L. Douglas.....	Hardy M. Coyer

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Yr.	Time	Place	Bishop	Secretary
1818	Oct. 1	Nashville, Tenn.....	{ Wm. M'Kendree..	Chas. Holliday
			{ Enoch George.....	
1819	Oct. 1	Nashville, Tenn.....	{ Wm. M'Kendree..	Chas. Holliday
			{ Enoch George.....	
1820	Oct. 4	Hopkinsville, Tenn..	*Marcus Lindsey....	Chas. Holliday
1821	Nov. 7	Norrells Cmp. Grd.	{ Wm. M'Kendree..	Thos. L. Douglas
			{ Robt. R. Roberts..	
1822	Oct. 16	Ebenezer, Tenn.....	{ Enoch George.....	Thos L. Douglas
			{ Wm. M'Kendree..	
1823	Nov.	Huntsville, Ala.....	Enoch George.....	Thos L. Douglas

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Yr.	Time	Place	Bishop	Secretary
1824	Nov. 27	Knoxville, Tenn.....	Robt. R. Roberts.....	John Tevis
1825	Oct. 20	Jonesboro, Tenn.....	{ Robt. R. Roberts..	
			{ Joshua Soule.....	Thos. Stringfield
1826	Nov. 2	Abingdon, Va.....	Joshua Soule.....	
1827	Nov. 1	Knoxville, Tenn.....	Robt. R. Roberts.....	Elbert F. Sevier
1828	Nov. 14	Jonesboro, Tenn.....	Joshua Soule.....	Elbert F. Sevier
1829	Dec. 24	Abingdon, Va.....	Joshua Soule.....	Elbert F. Sevier
1830	Nov. 4	Ebenezer, Tenn.....	{ Wm. M'Kendree..	
			{ Joshua Soule.....	Elbert F. Sevier
1831	Nov. 10	Athens, Tenn.....	Elijah Hedding.....	
1832	Nov. 15	Evansham, Va.....	John Emory.....	Thos. Stringfield
1833	Oct. 16	Kingsport, Tenn.....	Robt. R. Roberts.....	Lew S. Marshall
1834	Oct. 8	Knoxville, Tenn.....	*Jno. Henninger.....	Lew S. Marshall
1835	Oct. 7	Abnigdon, Va.....	Jas. O. Andrew.....	Lew S. Marshall
1836	Oct. 2	Madisonville, Tenn	Thos. A. Morris.....	Lew S. Marshall
1837	Oct. 8	Reem's Creek, N.C.	Jas. O. Andrew.....	Lew S. Marshall
1838	Nov. 13	Wytheville, Va.....	Jas. O. Andrew.....	Lew S. Marshall
1839	Oct. 13	Greeneville, Tenn..	*Thos. K. Catlet....	D. R. McAnally
1840	Nov. 11	Rogersville, Tenn..	Thos. A. Morris.....	Elbert F. Sevier
1841	Oct. 6	Knoxville, Tenn.....	*Samuel Patton.....	Elbert F. Sevier
1842	Oct. 5	LaFayette, Ga.....	*Beverly Waugh.....	Elbert F. Sevier
1843	Oct. 4	Abingdon, Va.....	Thos. A. Morris.....	Elbert F. Sevier
1844	Oct. 9	Reem's Creek, N.C.	Edm'd S. James.....	Elbert F. Sevier
1865	June 1	Athens, Tenn.....	D. W. Clark.....	John F. Spence
1866	May 17	Greeneville, Tenn..	D. W. Clark.....	John F. Spence
1867	Oct. 3	Knoxville, Tenn.....	C. Kingsley.....	John F. Spence
1868	Oct. 8	Chattanooga, Tenn	D. W. Clark.....	John F. Spence
1869	Oct. 7	Jonesboro, Tenn.....	M. Simpson.....	John F. Spence
1870	Oct. 3	Knoxville, Tenn.....	L. Scott.....	John J. Manker
1871	Oct. 11	Greeneville, Tenn..	L. Scott.....	John J. Manker
1872	Oct. 2	Cleveland, Tenn.....	S. M. Merrill.....	John J. Manker
1873	Oct. 1	Knoxville, Tenn.....	G. Haven.....	John J. Manker
1874	Sept. 29	Chattanooga, Tenn	E. G. Andrews.....	John J. Manker
1874	Sept. 30	Greeneville, Tenn..	T. Bowman.....	John J. Manker
1876	Oct. 4	Kingston, Tenn.....	L. Scott.....	John J. Manker

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Yr.	Time	Place	Bishop	Secretary
1877	Sept. 27	Knoxville, Tenn.....	W. L. Harris.....	John J. Manker
1878	Oct. 2	New Market, Tenn..	L. Scott.....	John J. Manker
1879	Oct. 15	Knoxville, Tenn.....	I. W. Wiley.....	John J. Manker
1880	Oct. 20	Greeneville, Tenn.....	E. O. Haven.....	Jas. D. Roberson
1881	Oct. 21	Maryville, Tenn.....	E. G. Andrews.....	Judson S. Hill
1882	Oct. 19	Chattanooga, Tenn..	M. Simpson.....	Judson S. Hill
1883	Oct. 17	Knoxville, Tenn.....	T. Bowman.....	Judson S. Hill
1884	Oct. 16	Greeneville, Tenn.....	H. W. Warren.....	Thos. B. Russell
1885	Oct. 15	Johnson City, Tenn..	J. F. Hurst.....	Thos. B. Russell
1886	Oct. 20	Athens, Tenn.....	W. F. Mallalieu.....	Thos. B. Russell
1887	Oct. 12	Knoxville, Tenn.....	E. G. Andrews.....	Thos. B. Russell
1888	Oct. 9	Cleveland, Tenn.....	J. N. Fitzgerald.....	Thos. B. Russell
1889	Oct. 9	Dayton, Tenn.....	I. W. Joyce.....	Thos. B. Russell
1890	Oct. 9	Greeneville, Tenn.....	J. M. Walden.....	Thos. B. Russell
1891	Oct. 21	Chattanooga, Tenn..	W. X. Ninde.....	Thos. B. Russell
1892	Oct. 5	Morristown, Tenn....	C. D. Foss.....	Thos. B. Russell
1893	Oct. 17	Maryville, Tenn.....	S. M. Merrill.....	Thos. B. Russell
1894	Oct. 17	Johnson City, Tenn..	R. S. Foster.....	Thos. B. Russell
1895	Oct. 9	Knoxville, Tenn.....	D. A. Goodsell.....	Thos. B. Russell
1896	Sept. 30	Newport, Tenn.....	W. F. Mallalieu.....	James H. Amis
1897	Sept. 23	Athens, Tenn.....	E. G. Andrews.....	James H. Amis
1898	Oct. 13	Elizabethhton, Tenn..	J. H. Vincent.....	James H. Amis
1899	Oct. 11	Cleveland, Tenn.....	C. D. Foss.....	James H. Amis
1900	Oct. 3	Chattanooga, Tenn..	D. A. Goodsell.....	James H. Amis
1901	Oct. 9	Morristown, Tenn....	J. W. Hamilton.....	James H. Amis
1902	Oct. 2	Maryville, Tenn.....	J. M. Walden.....	James H. Amis
1903	Sept. 23	Knoxville, Tenn.....	I. W. Joyce.....	James H. Amis
1904	Oct. 6	Newport, Tenn.....	H. W. Warren.....	James H. Amis
1905	Oct. 11	Harriman, Tenn.....	C. D. Fowler.....	Jas. J. Robinette
1906	Oct. 9	Greeneville, Tenn....	W. F. McDowell.....	Jas. J. Robinette
1907	Oct. 9	Knoxville, Tenn.....	L. B. Wilson.....	Jas. J. Robinette
1908	Oct. 7	Johnson City, Tenn..	D. A. Goodsell.....	Burton M. Martin
1909	Oct. 20	Morristown, Tenn....	W. F. Anderson.....	Burton M. Martin
1910	Oct. 12	Athens, Tenn.....	W. F. Anderson.....	Burton M. Martin
1911	Oct. 25	Knoxville, Trinity....	W. F. Anderson.....	Burton M. Martin
1912	Oct. 23	Chattanooga, Tenn..	T. S. Henderson.....	Robt. L. Stapleton
1913	Oct. 15	Maryville, Tenn.....	T. S. Henderson.....	Robt. L. Stapleton
1914	Oct. 21	Cleveland, Tenn.....	T. S. Henderson.....	Robt. L. Stapleton
1915	Oct. 13	Athens, Tenn.....	T. S. Henderson.....	Robt. L. Stapleton
1916	Oct. 11	Johnson City, Tenn..	F. M. Bristol.....	Robt. L. Stapleton
1917	Oct. 17	Morristown, Tenn....	F. M. Bristol.....	Robt. L. Stapleton
1918	Oct. 30	Chattanooga, Tenn..	F. M. Bristol.....	O. R. Tarwater
1919	Oct. 15	Knoxville, Tenn.....	F. M. Bristol.....	O. R. Tarwater
1920	Oct. 13	Cleveland, Tenn.....	F. M. Bristol.....	O. R. Tarwater
1921	Oct. 12	Elizabethhton, Tenn..	E. G. Richardson.....	O. R. Tarwater
1922	Oct. 11	Rockwood, Tenn.....	F. M. Bristol.....	O. R. Tarwater
1923	Oct. 10	Knoxville, 2nd Ch....	F. M. Bristol.....	O. R. Tarwater
1924	Oct. 15	Jellico, Tenn.....	W. P. Thirkield.....	O. R. Tarwater
1925	Oct. 14	Newport, Tenn.....	H. Lester Smith.....	O. R. Tarwater
1926	Oct. 20	Chattanooga, H. Pk..	W. P. Thirkield.....	O. R. Tarwater
1927	Oct. 19	Knoxville, 1st Ch....	W. P. Thirkield.....	O. R. Tarwater

\*Elders elected to preside in absence of bishop.

In 1844 the great division occurred, and in 1845 the Methodist Episcopal Church South, was organized. Continuous activity in Holston Conference Methodist Episcopal Church was abandoned until the close of the Civil War. In 1865 the Holston Conference was re-organized at Athens, Tenn., under Presidency of Bishop David W. Clark.

## Conference Directory

Those marked (a) were absent during the session; \*Effective;  
‡Supernumerary; §Retired; †Elected to the Episcopacy, May 1912.

No.	Name	Postoffice
1.	§Amis, J. H. (a)	2230 Garfield Ave., Monterey Park, Cal.
2.	§Angel, S. P.	South Knoxville, Tenn.
3.	*Bales, G. S.	Dayton, Tenn.
4.	*Ball, James M.	Athens, Tenn.
5.	§Bandy, W. S. (a)	Greeneville, Tenn.
6.	*Bellamy, C. V.	Mountain City, Tenn.
7.	*Bird, J. T.	Inskip, Tenn.
8.	*Bishop, W. E.	Sevierville, Tenn.
9.	*Bogue, Jesse P.	Trinity Church, Knoxville, Tenn.
10.	*Boling, J. W.	Greeneville, Tenn.
11.	‡Bornman, C. J.	Sevierville, R. F. D., Tenn.
12.	*Bowyer, E. L.	Wytheville, Va.
13.	*Boyd, E. M.	Pigeon Forge, Tenn.
14.	*Briggs, Charles A.	Chattanooga, Tenn.
15.	*Brown, A. A.	University of Chattanooga, Chattanooga, Tenn.
16.	§Brown, T. W. (a)	Morristown, Tenn.
17.	*Broyles, P. R. (a)	R. No. 1, Pikeville, Tenn.
18.	*Broyles, J. W.	Maryville, Tenn.
19.	*Branam, E. R.	Dayton, Tenn.
20.	§Bruner, M. C.	Burrville, Tenn.
21.	*Bull, W. M.	Fountain City, Tenn.
22.	*Burnett, J. S.	2103 E. 12th Ave., Chattanooga, Tenn.
23.	*Byrd, H. G.	Townsend, Tenn.
24.	*Cardwell, N. H.	Morristown, Tenn.
25.	§Cardwell, J. W.	Lenoir City, Tenn.
26.	*Carey, Frank H.	Alton Park, Tenn.
27.	*Clarke, L. B.	Lenoir City, Tenn.
28.	§Clonce, P. L.	Oliver Springs, Tenn.
29.	*Coldwell, J. F.	Box 109, Maryville, Tenn.
30.	*Coleman, H. C.	E. Chattanooga, Tenn.
31.	§Coleman, G. W.	Cleveland, Tenn.
32.	*Conner, N. A.	Roanoke, Va.
33.	*Conner, T. H.	Rogersville, Tenn.
34.	†Cooke, R. J.	Athens, Tenn.
35.	*Cooper, D. B.	Harriman, Tenn.
36.	*Creswell, G. J.	Western Ave., Knoxville, Tenn.
37.	*Cox, J. O.	Straw Plains, Tenn.
38.	*Cox, I. L.	Nickelsville, Va.
39.	*Crowder, I. G.	Gate City, Va.
40.	§Crumley, T. J. (a), Cor. Pearl St. and Fairmont Ave.,	Bristol, Va.
41.	*Cupp, J. L.	Christiansburg, Va.



No.	Name	Postoffice
42.	*Curtis, W. R. ....	1510 Ringgold Road, Chattanooga, Tenn.
43.	§Davenport, M. N. ....	Kingsport, Tenn.
44.	*Dew, J. M. ....	Copper Hill, Tenn.
45.	*Dobbs, Cicero ....	Alcoa, Tenn.
46.	*Dye, W. M. ....	Etowah, Tenn.
47.	*Eblen, S. N. ....	Sunbright, Tenn.
48.	*Ely, C. H. ....	Tremont, Townsend, Tenn.
49.	*Elzey, R. C. ....	Alcoa, Tenn.
50.	§Emert, J. M. ....	Athens, Tenn.
51.	*Ford, J. H. ....	Roanoke, Va.
52.	*Francisco, G. T. ....	Rt. 13, Knoxville, Tenn.
53.	*Gambill, James M. (a) ....	Wytheville, Va.
54.	§Giles, J. F. ....	Athens, Tenn.
55.	*Gillespie, E. G. ....	Greeneville, Tenn.
56.	*Greer, W. M. ....	LaFollette, Tenn.
57.	*Goodman, T. E. ....	Chuckey, Tenn.
58.	*Goss, Moses F. ....	Sevierville, Tenn.
59.	§Grant, W. S. ....	South Knoxville, Tenn.
60.	*Graybeal, W. A. ....	Gate City, Va.
61.	*Hamil, L. D. ....	N. Chattanooga, Tenn.
62.	*Hampton, J. M. ....	Jellico, Tenn.
63.	*Harris, J. D. ....	Baxter, Tenn.
64.	*Harris, W. K. ....	Bristol, Tenn.
65.	*Hawk, H. M. ....	307 Morrow Ave., Knoxville, Tenn.
66.	*Hopper, S. A. ....	Parrottsville, Tenn.
67.	§Houchins, C. D. (a) ....	Waneta, Kan.
68.	*Howell, D. L. ....	Jonesboro, Tenn.
69.	*Huff, R. M. ....	Coalmont, Tenn.
70.	§Ingle, A. H. (a) ....	Benhams, Va.
71.	*Jenkins, Dewey ....	Dandridge, Tenn.
72.	*Johnson, W. H. ....	Marion, Va.
73.	*Jones, Daniel L. ....	First Church, Chattanooga, Tenn.
74.	§Ketron, S. G. ....	Kingsport, Tenn.
75.	*Ketron, A. C. ....	Athens, Tenn.
76.	*Kilburn, R. A. ....	Athens, Tenn.
77.	*Kilgore, L. E. ....	Riner, Va.
78.	*Kirby, Chas. L. ....	R. No. 8, Maryville, Tenn.
79.	§Lawson, D. T. ....	R. F. D., Greeneville, Tenn.
80.	*Lawson, J. O. ....	Surgoinsville, Tenn.
81.	*Lawson, O. A. ....	Mountain City, Tenn.
82.	*Leonard, I. B. ....	Greeneville, Tenn.
83.	§Leslie, R. L. ....	R. F. D., Knoxville, Tenn.
84.	*Lucas, C. F. ....	Englewood, Tenn.
85.	*Lynch, J. F. ....	Oneida, Tenn.
86.	*Marshall, T. O. ....	Pennington Gap, Va.
87.	*Martin, W. C. ....	1017 Oak Ave., Knoxville, Tenn.
88.	*Matney, G. W. ....	Pennington Gap, Va.
89.	§McKenzie, H. W. ....	Pattonville, Va.
90.	*McKenzie, A. B. ....	Lenoir City, Tenn.
91.	*McNees, Solon ....	Rockwood, Tenn.



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92.	*Milburn, J. E. ....	Kingsport, Tenn.
93.	*Melear, J. M. ....	Athens, Tenn.
94.	*Millard, R. M. ....	Knoxville, Tenn.
95.	§Miller, Chas. W. (a) ....	LaFollette, Tenn.
96.	*Mitchell, J. A. ....	Knoxville, Tenn.
97.	*Moore, M. M. ....	Byington, Tenn.
98.	*Morrison, B. M. ....	Elizabethton, Tenn.
99.	*Murphy, M. P. ....	Knoxville, Tenn.
100.	*Meyers, J. H. ....	Maynardville, Tenn.
101.	§Newman, A. A. ....	Parrottsville, Tenn.
102.	*Ogle, E. H. ....	Loudon, Tenn.
103.	*Oliver, Wm. L. ....	Cleveland, Tenn.
104.	§Osborne, James (a) ....	Graysville, Tenn.
105.	*Peters, T. V. ....	Clinton, Tenn.
106.	*Pickering, W. L. ....	1612 Read Ave., Chattanooga, Tenn.
107.	*Pippin, E. M. ....	Moody Ave., Knoxville, Tenn.
108.	*Pitts, Wm. F. ....	Knoxville, Tenn.
109.	*Ragan, W. H. ....	Athens, Tenn.
110.	*Rambo, M. H. ....	Lenoir City, Tenn.
111.	*Reed, J. F. ....	Bristol, Tenn.
112.	*Roach, T. H. (a) ....	Drew Seminary, Madison, N. J.
113.	*Robeson, W. E. ....	215 Prosser Road, Knoxville, Tenn.
114.	§Rominger, L. A. (a) ....	Cleveland, Tenn.
115.	§Rose, A. M. (a) ....	R. F. D., Mooresburg, Tenn.
116.	§Rowan, G. R. ....	Athens, Tenn.
117.	*Rowe, J. F. ....	Harriman, Tenn.
118.	*Russell, W. L. ....	Rose Hill, Va.
119.	§Sadler, C. N. (a) ....	Arthur, Tenn.
120.	*Sanders, F. P. ....	Friendsville, Tenn.
121.	*Shupe, G. L. ....	Telford, Tenn.
122.	*Sivils, M. L. ....	Kingston, Tenn.
123.	*Slagle, D. C. ....	Kingsport, Tenn.
124.	*Smith, W. A. ....	1810 Bailey Ave., Chattanooga, Tenn.
125.	*Stapleton, R. L. ....	1905 Bailey Ave., Chattanooga, Tenn.
126.	§Strange, J. S. ....	Fountain City, Tenn.
127.	*Tarpley, E. N. ....	Salem, Va.
128.	*Tarwater, C. B. ....	Newport, Tenn.
129.	*Tarwater, O. R. ....	Johnson City, Tenn.
130.	*Taylor, C. H. ....	Oakdale, Tenn.
131.	*Thames, R. H. ....	South Pittsburg, Tenn.
132.	§Torrey, H. M. ....	Andersonville, Tenn.
133.	§Thurston, E. C. ....	Dayton, Tenn.
134.	†Treuschel, W. H. (a) ....	Knoxville, Tenn.
135.	*Walker, R. E. ....	Greeneville, Tenn.
136.	§Ware, J. T. ....	Ludville, Ga.
137.	§Winkler, E. J. (a) ....	R. F. D., Cleveland, Tenn.
138.	*Watson, F. D. ....	Red Bank, Chattanooga, Tenn.
139.	*Woodward, G. W. ....	Simpson, Va.
140.	*Woodyard, E. O. ....	Johnson City, Tenn.
141.	*Wilkinson, W. D. ....	316 Burwell Ave., Knoxville, Tenn.

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142.	*Williamson, H. G. ....	Chattanooga, Tenn.
143.	*Winslow, W. C. ....	Mosheim, Tenn.
144.	*Wrenn, C. G. (a) ....	Athens, Tenn.
145.	*Young, H. H. (a).....	University of Puget Sound, Seattle, Wash.

#### PROBATIONERS

1.	Athearn, Carl R. ....	Jasper, Tenn.
2.	Atkinson, George W. ....	LaFollette, Tenn., R. F. D.
3.	Blancherd, George E. ....	E. Chattanooga, Tenn.
4.	Chaney, John L. ....	Chattanooga, Tenn.
5.	Clayton, Cranston .....	Soddy, Tenn.
6.	Daniel, W. C. ....	Univ. of Chattanooga, Chattanooga, Tenn.
7.	Denton, Frederic E. ....	Crossville, Tenn.
8.	Ghomley, Rupert R. ....	Athens, Tenn.
9.	Holliday, Charles .....	Athens, Tenn.
10.	McDonald, Henry W. ....	Glenford, Va.
11.	Smathers, Frank C. ....	Burks, Tenn.
12.	Spessard, David A. ....	Andersonville, Tenn.
13.	Trentham, Eulys C. ....	Radford, Va.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR EXAMINERS AND CANDIDATES

1. The work of the Board is divided into six groups: Admission on trial; first, second, third, and fourth years; and Local Orders. Each group to be in the hands of a committee—one of the committeemen to be chairman of the committee.

2. Mid-year examinations are required; time and place to be arranged and announced.

3. The day preceding the opening of the Annual Conference is the time appointed for examination.

4. The candidates are urged to buy their books at the very opening of the year, and study carefully the mid-year subjects, and after the mid-year examinations make complete survey of the remaining subjects immediately. The examiners are required to correspond with the candidates in the early winter, preparatory to mid-year examinations.

5. The requirements of the Discipline are to make the examinations written if practicable, and two weeks ahead of the Annual Conference to send written questions to the Chairman of the Board.

6. The chairman of each group is to submit in writing the grades of the candidates in his department to the registrar.

7. The provision for the mid-year examinations shall not deprive any candidate for admission on trial of the opportunity of being examined at the time appointed for the examination at the Annual Conference.

8. The Board of Examiners, together with the candidates, are called to meet at the place of the next Annual Conference session the night previous to the day of Conference examinations.

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## Schedule of Examinations

ARLO A. BROWN, Chairman

### Admission

- R. L. STAPLETON, Chairman—9 to 10 a. m.; Life of John Wesley; 1 to 2 p. m., A Plain Account of Christian Perfection; 2 to 3 p. m., Selections from the Writings of Wesley.  
W. K. HARRIS—10 to 11 a. m., A Bible Biography.  
W. M. DYE—11 to 12 a. m., Doctrine and Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church; 3 to 4 p. m., American History, written sermon.

### First Year

- R. M. MILLARD, Chairman—9 to 10 a. m., New Testament History; 2 to 3 p. m., The Work of Preaching.  
JESSE P. BOGUE—10 to 11 a. m., Evangelism.  
W. M. DYE—1 to 2 p. m., The Art of Writing English.  
N. H. CARDWELL—11 to 12 a. m., Human Behavior; 3 to 4 p. m., Reading Course.

### Second Year

- J. W. BROYLES, Chairman—9 to 10 a. m., Dictionary of the Bible 1 to 2 p. m., The Christian's View of the Old Testament.  
W. K. HARRIS—11 to 12 a. m., History of the Christian Church.  
H. G. WILLIAMSON—2 to 3 p. m., The Pupil and the Teacher; 3 to 4 p. m., The Graded Sunday School.  
C. A. BRIGGS—10 to 11 a. m., The Pastoral Office; 3 to 4 p. m., Reading Course.

### Third Year

- G. J. CRESWELL, Chairman—9 to 10 a. m., Beacon Lights of Prophecy; 1 to 2 p. m., Foundations of Christian Belief.  
D. B. COOPER—2 to 3 p. m., The Church and Industrial Reconstruction.  
W. L. OLIVER—10 to 11 a. m., Neely's Parliamentary Practice.  
J. M. HAMPTON—11 to 12 a. m., Religions of Mankind; 3 to 4 p. m., Reading Course.

### Fourth Year

- W. L. OLIVER, Chairman—9 to 10 a. m., Paul and His Epistles.  
R. A. KILBURN—10 to 11 a. m., The Book of Isaiah.  
J. P. BOGUE—1 to 2 p. m., System of Christian Doctrine.  
H. G. WILLIAMSON—11 to 12 a. m., Freedom and Christian Conduct; 3 to 4 p. m., Reading Course.

### Local Preachers

- R. A. KILBURN, Chairman, W. A. GRAYBEAL, J. W. BROYLES,  
NOEL H. CARDWELL, Registrar.

## CONFERENCE RULES

1. No person shall absent himself from the sessions of the conference without leave unless he be sick or otherwise unable to attend.

2. The Secretary shall keep a journal of the conference proceedings, which he shall cause to be published in the Annual Journal of the conference, and it shall be the official journal. He shall edit the minutes and all matter for publication, and shall make contracts for the printing of the journal as in his judgment may seem best. He shall have charge of the journal and conference files, and forward them to the place of meeting of the annual conference each year.

3. All committees whose reports are to be printed in the journal shall present their reports to the secretary in writing, otherwise the committee on publication is not required to insert such reports in the journal.

4. All candidates for admission on trial, for admission into full membership, for admission on credentials from other churches, for re-admission, and for recognition of orders, shall be required to appear before the Committee on Conference Relations and the Board of Examiners, and to furnish such information as may be required touching their general character and their qualifications for the ministry.

5. All cases involving a change in conference relations or withdrawal shall be referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

6. Widows of deceased ministers who have ever traveled with their husbands may be temporary claimants, and may be referred to the board of Stewards, who shall decide each case from year to year.

7. The chairman of the board of stewards shall be ex-officio one of the assistant secretaries of the conference for secretarial work in connection with conference claimants, and shall be the last number of the Committee on Memoirs.

8. The memorial service for deceased members, and for the wives of deceased members shall be the special order the first day of conference at the close of the communion service.

9. Conference visitors shall be allowed 10 minutes in which to address the conference. District Superintendents' reports shall be limited to 15 minutes, and reports of committees, except the board of Stewards, to five minutes.

10. All applications for special collections to be apportioned to the charges in the conference shall be referred to the Committee on Special Collections.

11. There shall be elected each year a Nominating Committee, consisting of three members, which committee shall nominate the Standing Committees and the Committee on Nominations for the ensuing session. No member of the Nominating Committee shall be eligible for consecutive re-election to the committee.



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## ADMISSION, CONFERENCE ADVANCEMENT AND MINISTERIAL SERVICE

AMIS, JAMES H.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1875; full membership, 1877; located, 1877.... re-admitted, 1880; ordained Deacon by Bishop Harris, 1877; Elder by Bishop Simpson, 1882.

Holston: 1875, Sneedville; 1876, Maynardville; 1877-79, Student East Tennessee Wesleyan University, Athens; 1880, Sneedville; 1881-82, Tazewell; 1883, Jellico; 1884-6, Fincastle; 1887, Greeneville; 1888-89, Rogersville; 1890-91, Andersonville; 1892-95, Jellico; 1896-99, Clinton; 1900-1, Athens; 1902-3, Ducktown; 1904, Niota; 1905, (Sy.), Supply. So. California Conference: Randsburg, California; 1906, Randsburg; 1907-8, Olinda; 1909, Portersville; 1910, retired; 1910-12, Lancaster, California; 1913, McKittrick, California; 1914, (Sy.), retired, 1915.

ANGEL, SAMUEL P.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1900; full membership, 1902; ordained Deacon by Bishop Goodsell, 1900; Elder by Bishop Warren, 1904.

Holston: Epworth as Supply latter part of 1899 and 1900; Whitwell, 1900-3; Daisy 1904; Graysville, 1905-6; Athens Ct., 1907-8; Lenoir City, 1909; retired, 1910; filled out half of 1910 at Inskip; effective New Salem, 1911; Inskip, 1912-13; Asbury and Elm Grove, 1914.... closed year on Friendsville Ct., 1915; Friendsville, 1916-17; Jones Chapel, 1918; retired, 1920.

BALES, GEO. S.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1900; full membership, 1902; ordained Deacon by Bishop Hamilton, 1901; Elder by Bishop Warren, 1904.

Holston: Supply Rogersville, 1900; Parrottsville, 1900; Elizabethton, 1901; Mountain City, 1902-4; Greeneville District, 1905-10; Harriman, 1911; Pennington, 1912; Knoxville, East Main Ave., 1913-16; Ridgedale, 1917-18; Avondale, 1919-20; Alton Park 1921-22; South Pittsburg, 1923; Clinton, 1924; Byington, 1925; Kingston, 1926; Vine Grove, 1927.

BALL, JAMES M.—Holston, full membership, 1927; North Athens, 1927.

BANDY, WILLIAM S.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1894; full membership, 1896; ordained Deacon by Bishop Foster, 1894; Elder by Bishop Vincent, 1898.

Holston: Fall Branch, 1894-95; Rogersville, 1896-7; Surgoinsville, 1898-99; Greeneville Circuit, 1900-03; Chuckey, 1904-6; Dandridge, 1907-8; Greeneville Circuit, 1909; Nickelsville, 1910-11; Chestnut Hill, 1912-13; Morristown Circuit, 1914-15; Baileytown, 1916; Surgoinsville, 1917; year for rest and study, 1918; retired, 1919.

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BELLAMY, CLAUDE V.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1910; full membership, 1915; ordained Deacon, by Bishop Henderson, 1915; Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1918.

Holston: East Cleveland, 1910; Sunbright, 1911; Oliver Springs, 1912; Crossville, 1913-14; Friendsville, 1915; Roanoke, 1916-17; Manker Memorial, 1918-19; Clinton 1920; Oakdale, 1921; Conference Evangelist, 1922; Harriman, 1923; Conference Evangelist, 1924-5; Mountain City and Butler, 1926-27.

BIRD, JAMES T.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1904; full membership, 1906; ordained Deacon by Bishop McDowell, 1906; Elder by Bishop Anderson, 1909.

Holston: Supply Tracy City, 1902-5; Jasper, 1905-8; Chattanooga, 1909; Loudon, 1910; Inglewood, 1911; Knoxville Circuit, 1912-14; Sy., 1915; Asbury and South Knoxville, 1916-17 Maryville Circuit, 1918-21; Lenoir City, 1922-24; Sevierville, 1925-26; Copper Hill, 1927.

BOLING, JAMES WILLIAM—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1899; full membership, 1901; ordained Deacon by Bishop Hamilton, 1901; Elder by Bishop Joyce, 1903.

Holston: Student, University of Chattanooga, 1897-1900; Franklin College, New Athens, Ohio, 1900-1; Jasper, 1901; Crossville, 1902-3; Dayton, 1904; Sevierville, 1905; Greeneville, 1906-7; East Chattanooga, 1908; Maryville, 1909-10; Jellico, 1911-13; St. James 1914-16; Knoxville, East Main Ave., 1917; Athens, 1918; Harri-man District, 1919; Knoxville District, 1920-24; Greeneville, 1925-27.

BOGUE, JESSE P.—Holston: 1926; Trinity, 1926-27.

BISHOP, WILLIAM E.—Holston: full membership 1926; Rogersville, 1926; Sevierville, 1927.

BORNMAN, CHARLES JOHN—Holston: 1923; Pittman Center, 1923-25; Supernumerary, 1926-27.

BOYD, ELBERT M.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1914; full membership, 1916; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol, 1916; Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1923.

Holston: Decatur, 1914; Oakwood, 1915; Knoxville Circuit, 1916; LaFollette, 1917-19; Gatliff, 1920; Jacksboro and Gatliff, 1921; Newcomb, 1922-23; Byington, 1924; Clinton, 1925; Pigeon Forge, 1926-27.

BOWYER, E. L.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1918; full membership, 1921; ordained Deacon by Bishop E. G. Richardson 1921; Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1923.

Fries, 1918-19; Floyd, 1921-22; Wytheville, 1923-24; Glenford, 1925; Marion, 1926; Christiansburg, 1927.

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**BRANAM, E. R.**—Admitted, on trial, Holston Conference, 1903; full membership, 1905; ordained Deacon by Bishop Fowler, 1905, Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1920.

Holston: Chesnut Hill, 1903-4; Little River, 1905-8; Jefferson City and Dandridge, 1909-10; Chesnut Hill, 1911; Oakwood, 1912-14; Alton Park, 1915; Oakwood, 1916; Whittle Springs, 1917-18; granted year for rest, 1919; Inskip, 1920-21; Oakdale, 1922-24; Dayton, 1925-27.

**BRIGGS, CHARLES A.**—Holston, 1925; First Church, Chattanooga, 1925-27.

**BROWN, ARLO A.**—1907-08, Madison Avenue (Associated); 1909-11, Mount Hope, N. Y.; 1912, Agent for Board of Foreign Missions at Jerusalem; 1913, Secretary Newark District Church Society; 1914-21, Superintendent Teacher Training, Board of Sunday Schools; 1921, President of the University of Chattanooga.

**BROWN, THOS. W.**—Admitted on trial Holston Conference, 1868; full membership, 1870; ordained Deacon by Bishop Scott, 1870; Elder by Bishop Scott, 1876.

Holston: Supply Hamilton, 1867; Ducktown, 1868; Harrison, 1869-71; Madisonville, 1872; student Grant University, 1872-75; Kingston, 1875; Henderson, N. C., 1876-77; Leicester, 1878; Pigeon Valley, 1879; Parrottsville, 1885, Morristown Circuit, 1886; Blue Ridge Conference: Clyde, 1886; Clyde District, 1887-93; Gladstone District, 1893-96.

Holston: Tazewell, 1897; Rutledge, 1898-99; Thorn Grove, 1900; Dandridge, 1901; Newport Circuit, 1902; Rogersville, 1903; Rutledge, 1904; Big Valley, 1905; retired, 1906; Supply Friendsville, 1908; Inglewood, 1909; Inskip and Elm Grove 1910; Jasper, 1911, retired.

**BROYLES, J. W.**—Admitted on trial Holston Conference, 1923; full membership, 1925; ordained Deacon by Bishop Francis J. McConnell, New England Conference, 1922; Elder by Bishop H. Lester Smith, Holston Conference, 1925.

Dayton, 1917; Daisy and Red Bank, 1918; Elizabethton, 1923; Newport, 1924-25; Maryville, 1926-27.

**BROYLES, PATTON R.**—Holston, 1923; Băileyton and Whitehorn, 1923; Patten Community Center, 1924; Assistant Pastor, Burrville, 1925; Assistant Pastor Sunbright, 1926-27.

**BRUNER, MARION C.**—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1881; full membership, 1883; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bowman, 1883; Elder by Bishop Hurst, 1885.

Holston: Warrburg, 1881; Jasper, 1882-83; Dayton, 1884-85; Sy., 1866-88; Spring City, 1889; Sherman Heights, 1890; Hill City; 1891; Athens District, 1892-94; Loudon, 1895; Kingston, 1896;

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Athens Circuit, 1897-1902; Elizabethton, 1903; Clinton, 1904-5; Sevierville, 1906-7; Lonsdale, 1908-9; Newport, 1910-12; Lenoir City, 1913; Tellico Plains and Englewood, 1914; Englewood, 1915; Townsend and Walland, 1916; Jones Chapel, 1917; Asbury and South Knoxville, 1918-19; Townsend and Walland, 1920; LaFollette, 1921; retired, 1922; supply New Tazewell, 1923; supply, LaFollette, 1924; supply Burville, 1926-27.

**BULL, WILLIAM M.**—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1906; full membership, 1909; ordained Deacon by Bishop Anderson, 1909; Elder by Bishop Henderson, 1914.

Holston: Pigeon Forge, 1906-13; Chestnut Hill, 1914-16; Dandridge, 1917-23; Thorn Grove, 1924-25; Knoxville Circuit, 1926; Asbury and Jefferson City, 1927.

**BURNETT, John S.**—Admitted on trial, Blue Ridge Conference, 1888; full membership, 1890; ordained Deacon by Bishop Joyce, 1890; Elder by Bishop Foss, 1892.

Blue Ridge: Supply, 1888; Highland, 1889; Swansboro, 1890; Winston, 1890-95; Moorehead City District, 1896; Gladston District, 1897-98; Student, Grant University, 1899-1901. Holston: Hill City, 1899-1901; Chattanooga District, 1901-06; Athens District, 1907-10; Knoxville District, 1911-13; Financial Agent, University of Chattanooga, 1914; Superintendent Southern Highlands Division, Board Home Missions and Church Extension, 1919-27.

**BYRD, HOWARD G.**—Holston, 1927, Townsend, 1927.

**CARDWELL, J. W.**—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1896; full membership, 1898; ordained Deacon by Bishop Vincent, 1898; Elder by Bishop Hamilton, 1901.

Holston: Lenoir City, 1896-97; Erie, 1898; Friendsville, 1899; Chatata, 1900; Ebenezer, 1901-02; Friendsville, 1903; Sy., 1904; Athens Circuit, 1905-6; Sy., 1907-11; Lenoir City Circuit, 1912; Sy., 1913-15; Byington and Scarbro, 1916; Townsend and Walland, 1917; Kingston, 1918-19; Asbury and Knoxville, 1920; Sy., 1921; Kingston, 1922-23; Lenoir City Circuit, 1924-25; retired, 1926.

**CARDWELL, NOEL H.**—Admitted on trial Holston Conference, 1919; full membership, 1921; ordained Deacon by Bishop McConnell in 1921; Elder by Bishop Bristol in 1923. South Pittsburg, 1919-1920.

Holston: Johnson City, 1923-24; Morristown, 1925-27.

**CAREY, FRANK H.**—Re-admitted Holston, 1925; Tellico Plains, 1925-26; Avondale, 1927.

**CHANEY, JOHN L.**—Holston, 1926; Avondale, 1926.

**CLARKE, L. B.**—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1902; full membership, 1905; ordained Deacon by Bishop Joyce, 1903; ordained Elder by Bishop Anderson, 1910.



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Holston: Supply, Deer Lodge Circuit, 1895-96; Jamestown Circuit, 1897; Dear Lodge Circuit, 1898; Oliver Springs, 1902-07; Well Springs, 1908; Little River 1909-10; Jefferson City and Dandridge, 1911-12; Dandridge, 1913; Athens Circuit, 1914-16; Sulphur Springs, 1917-19; Newport 1920-21. St. John's River Conference: Milbourne, 1923-24. Holston Conference, Harriman, 1925-26; Conference Evangelist, 1927.

CLONCE, PULLIAM L.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1908; full membership, 1910; ordained Deacon by Bishop Anderson, 1910; Elder by Bishop Henderson, 1912.

Holston: Pikeville, 1903; Sunbright, 1904; Grant University, 1905-08; Whitwell, 1908; Pikeville, 1909; Burrville and Sunbright, 1910; Wellspring, 1911; Crossville, 1912; Jefferson City, 1913; Daisy, 1914-15; Graysville, 1916-17; Dayton, 1918; granted year for rest, 1919; Vine Grove, 1920-21; Graysville 1922; Oliver Springs, 1923-24; Conference Evangelist, 1925; retired, 1926.

COLDWELL, JOSEPH F.—Admitted on trial Holston Conference 1921; full membership, 1923; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol in 1923, Elder by Bishop Smith, 1925.

Holston: Athens Circuit, 1923; Friendsville and Walland, 1924-25; Maryville Circuit, 1926-27.

COLEMAN, H. C.—Holston, 1926; Manker Memorial, 1926.

COLEMAN, GEO. W.—Admitted on trial, South Illinois Conference, 1858; full membership, 1866; ordained Deacon by Bishop Simpson, 1864; Elder by Bishop Clark, 1868.

South Illinois Conference: Georgetown, 1858; Newton, 1859. Holston: Athens Circuit, 1866; Maynardville, 1868; North Knoxville, 1869; Kingston and Loudon, 1871-72; Kingston and Rockwood, 1873; Sy., 1874; Maryville Circuit, 1875; Sy., 1876; Athens Circuit, 1877-79; located, 1880; re-admitted, 1883; Conference Temperance Agent; South Chattanooga, 1884-85. South Kansas Conference: Sedan, 1886; Moline, 1887-88. Holston Conference: Cleveland, 1889-90; Johnson City, 1891-93; Harriman, 1894; Dayton, 1895-96; Jellico, 1897; Newport, 1898-99; Cleveland Circuit 1900; retired, 1901.

CONNER, N. A.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1918; full membership, 1921; ordained Deacon by Bishop E. G. Richardson, 1921; Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1923.

Holston: Christiansburg, 1918-19; Radford, 1919-20; Christiansburg, 1922-25; Villa Heights, 1926-27.

CONNER, T. H.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1902; full membership 1904; ordained Deacon by Bishop Warren, 1904; Elder by Bishop McDowell, 1906.

Holston Conference: Morgan Springs, 1902-04; Loudon, 1905;



Lenoir City, 1906-07; Rogersville and Whitehorn, 1908-11; Mountain City, 1912-13; Kingston, 1914-15; Dandridge, 1916; Little River, 1917-18; Morristown Circuit 1919; Telford, 1920-23; Greeneville Circuit, 1924-25; Rutledge, 1926; Rogersville, 1927.

COOKE, RICHARD JOSEPH—BISHOP—Born New York, January 31, 1853; son Richard and Joana (Geary) Cooke; graduate East Tennessee Wesleyan University, 1880. (D. D. University of Tennessee; L. L. D. Williamette University; married Eliza Gettys Fisher of Athens, Tennessee, April 20, 1881; entered M. E. ministry, 1873; ordained, 1876; professor, U. T., Exegesis and Historical Theology 1889-1912; Vice-Chancellor; 1893; acting President, 1897, Grant University; editor Methodist Advocate-Journal, 1891-1904; book editor, M. E. Church, 1904-1912; bishop M. E. Church, May 1912; member General Conference, M. E. Church, 1896, 1900-04-08-12; Ecumenical Conference, England, 1901; Commr. on Federation of Episcopal Methodism; Commr. on Common Hymnal; on Constitution; on Revision of the Ritual of the M. E. Church; fraternal delegate from the M. E. Church to the British and Irish Wesleyan Conference, England and Ireland, 1906 Sec. Commr. on Judicial Procedure, M. E. Church, 1908.

AUTHOR—Doctrines of the Resurrection, 1884; Reasons for Church Creed, 1888; Christianity and Childhood, 1891; The Historic Episcopate, 1896; History of Ritual, M. E. Church, 1900; Christ—and the Critics, 1898; Digest of Judicial Decisions of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church; Incarnation and Recent Criticism; Freedom of Thought—in Religious Preaching. Contributor to Methodist Review; Member American Society of Church History; member Commr. on Unification of M. E. Church and M. E. Church, South.  
Address: Athens, Tennessee.

COOPER, D. B.—Admitted on trial in Georgia Conference, 1915; full membership, 1918; ordained Deacon by Bishop Leonard, 1918; Elder by Bishop Richardson, 1920.

Georgia Conference: New Prospect and Dungan, 1915-16.

Alabama Conference: Edwardsville and Heflin, 1917-18; Haleyville, 1919; Union Hill, 1920.

Holston Conference: Gate City, 1921-22; Salem, 1923; Pennington Gap, 1924-26; Harriman, 1927.

COX, J. O.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1906; full membership, 1911; ordained Deacon by Bishop Anderson, 1911; Elder by Bishop Henderson, 1915.

Holston: Fair Garden, 1906-07; Thorn Grove, 1908-10; Little River, 1911-12; New Salem, 1913-15; Pigeon Forge, 1916-18; Parrottsville, 1919-20; Thorn Grove, 1921-23; Fair Garden, 1924-27.

COX, IVAN L.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference 1912; full membership 1918; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol 1918; Elder

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by Bishop Thirkield 1924.

Holston: Student 1912; Niota, 1913; Wytheville, 1914-15 Greendale, 1916-18; Wytheville, 1919-20; Radford, 1921; Nickelsville, 1922-25; Glenford, 1926; Nickelsville, 1927.

CRESWELL, GEORGE J.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1911; full membership, 1915; ordained Deacon by Bishop Henderson, 1915; Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1920.

Holston: Fairmont, 1912-13; Manker Memorial, 1914-17; left without appointment to attend school, 1918; Second Church, 1920-27.

CROWDER, I. G.—Holston, full membership, 1925; Rose Hill, 1925-26; Gate City, 1927.

CRUMLEY, THOS. J.—Admitted on trial, Virginia Conference, 1885; full membership Virginia Conference, 1887; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bowman, 1887; Elder by Bishop Newman, 1889.

Virginia: Tazewell, 1885; Marion, 1886-1890; Washington, 1891-93; Lee, 1894-96; Abingdon District, 1897-1902; Roanoke, District, 1903-04; Sy., 1905-07. Holston Conference: Wise, 1908-10; Gate City, 1911-12; New Tazewell, 1913; Pennington, 1914-16; Nickelsville, 1917-18; Clinchport, 1919; granted year for rest, 1920; retired, 1921.

CUPP, JOHN L.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1915; full membership, 1917; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol, 1917; Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1919.

Holston: Supply Erie Circuit, 1914; Fair Garden, 1915-16; Knoxville Circuit, 1917-18; Crossville and Clarkrange, 1919; Leadville, Colorado, 1920; Limestone, 1921; Rogersville, 1922; Marion, 1923-24; St. Charles, 1925-26; Christiansburg, 1927.

CURTIS, W. R.—Holston, full membership, 1925; North Athens, 1925; Ridgedale, 1926-27.

DAVENPORT, MORGAN N.—Admitted on trial, Virginia Conference, 1893; full membership, 1897; ordained Deacon by Bishop Warren, 1893; Elder by Bishop Hurst, 1900.

Virginia: Supply Tazewell Circuit, 1892; Grayson Circuit, 1893-94; Eagle Rock, 1895; Kingsley Seminary, 1896; Roanoke Circuit, 1897-1900; Eagle Rock, 1901; Greendale, 1902-03; Wise, 1904; New River, 1905. Holston: Johnson City Circuit; 1906; Baileyton, 1907-08; Sy., Supply Jonesboro, 1909; Jonesboro, 1910; Conference Evangelist, 1911; Morristown Circuit, 1912-13; Assistant Pastor, Johnson City, 1914, Sy., 1915; Fall Branch and Kingsport, 1916; Morristown Circuit, 1917; Surgoinsville, 1918; Limestone Circuit, 1919-20; Jefferson City, 1921; Greeneville Circuit, 1922; Unicoi, 1923; year of rest, 1924; Fall Branch, 1925; retired, 1926.

DEW, JOSEPH M.—Admitted on trial in Holston Conference, 1921;

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full membership, 1923; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol in 1923; Elder by Bishop Smith in 1925.

Holston: Pigeon Forge, 1923-24; Inskip, 1924-27.

DOBBS, CICERO—Admitted on trial, Alabama Conference, 1906; full membership, 1908; ordained Deacon, 1908; Elder by Bishop Henderson 1914.

Alabama: Rock Run, 1906; Edwardsville, 1907. Holston: Jasper, 1908; Crossville, 1909; Scarborough, 1910-11; Vine Grove, 1912-14; Decatur, 1915; Kingston, 1916-17; Englewood and Tellico Plains, 1918; Oakdale, 1919; Clinton, 1921; Newport, 1922-23; Elizabethton, 1924-25; Alcoa, 1926; Chestnut Hill, 1927

DYE, WILLIAM M. DYE—Admitted on trial, Virginia Conference, 1893; full membership, 1900; ordained Deacon, 1895 by Bishop Andrews; Elder, 1899 by Bishop Goodsell.

In school, 1893-1899; supplied, Ronceverte, W. Va., 1895; supplied, Ridgedale, Tenn., 1896; Transferred to Holston Conference, 1897; Avondale, 1897; school, 1898-1899; transferred, Virginia Conference, 1899, Ronceverte, W. Va., 1899-1902; transferred, Genesee Conference, Centerville, N. Y., 1903; Gainesville, 1904-1905; Tonawanda, 1906; transferred to Colorado Conference, 1907, Breckenridge, Colo., 1907; Idaho Springs, 1908; Denver, 1909-1910; Julesburg, 1911-1912; transferred to St. Louis Conference, Harlem Place, 1913-1914; Maplewood, 1915; transferred to Kansas Conference, 1916; Eskridge, 1916-17; Overbrook, 1918-1919; transferred to Holston Conference, 1920, Roanoke, Va., 1920; Cleveland, Tenn., 1921-1922; Etowah, 1923-27.

EBLEN, SAMUEL N.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1916; full membership, 1918; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol, 1918; Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1920.

Wytheville, 1916; Riner, 1917; Pennington Gap Circuit, 1918; Greendale, 1919; Roan Mountain, 1920; Bloomingdale, 1921; Cleveland Circuit, 1922; Sy., 1923-24; Graysville, 1925; Sunbright, 1926-27.

ELY, CHARLES H.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1919; full membership, 1921; ordained Deacon by Bishop E. G. Richardson, 1921; Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1923.

Holston: Student Athens School, 1916-17-18-19; East Athens, 1919; Elkmont Mission, 1920-23; Knoxville Circuit, 1924-25; Tremont, 1926-27.

ELZEY, ROLAND C.—Holston, full membership, 1923; Alcoa, 1923; left without appointment to attend school, 1924; Lenoir City, 1925-26; Alcoa, 1927.

EMERT, JOHN M.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1893; full membership, 1895; ordained Deacon by Bishop Goodsell, 1895; Elder by Bishop Andrews, 1897.

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Holston: Cumberland Gap, 1893; Well Springs, 1894-97; Jellico, 1898-1901; Asylum Ave., 1902-04; Clinton District, 1905-10; Athens, 1911-13; Johnson City, 1914-16; Maryville, 1917-19; Park City, 1920-24; Athens, 1925-26; retired, 1927.

FORD, JOHN H.—Holston, 1923; Roanoke, 1923-27.

FRANCISCO, GEO. T.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1890; full membership, 1893; ordained Deacon by Bishop Merrill, 1893; Elder by Bishop Goodsell, 1895.

Holston: Pikeville, 1890; Grant University, 1891-92; Ooltewah, 1892; Carnegie and Jonesboro, 1893; Dayton, 1894; South Pittsburgh, 1895; Newport, 1896-97; Greeneville District, 1898-1903; LaFollette District, 1904; Knoxville District, 1905-10; Sunday School Missionary, 1911-15; Park City, 1916-19; Maryville, 1920-23; Jones Chapel, 1924-27.

GAMBILL, JAMES M.—Admitted on trial, Blue Ridge Atlantic Conference, 1914; full membership, 1916; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol, 1916; Elder by Bishop Smith, 1925.

Attended school, Athens, Tenn., 1917-21; Blue Ridge Atlantic: Laurel Branch, 1914-15; Boone, 1915-16; Misenheimer, 1916-17. Holston: Etowah Circuit, 1911-20; Catata, 1920-21. Blue Ridge Atlantic: Principal Lansing High School, 1922; Principal Tipton Hill, 1923. Holston: Radford, 1924; Wytheville, 1925.

GILES, JOHN F.—Admitted on trial, Virginia Conference, 1895; full membership, 1897; ordained Deacon by Bishop Andrews, 1895; Elder by Bishop Hurst, 1900.

Virginia: Tazewell, 1895-96; New Garden, 1897; Wise, 1898; Elk Garden, 1899; Russell, 1900; Washington, 1901-02; Elk Garden, 1903-04; Gate City, 1905; Grant University, 1906-07.

Holston: Marion, 1908-09; Christianburg, 1910-11; Nickelsville, 1912-14; Floyd, 1915-17; Riner, 1918-20; Marion, 1921-22; East Athens, 1923; retired, 1924.

GILLESPIE, E. G.—Holston; full membership, 1925; Sulphur Springs, 1925; Greeneville Circuit, 1926-27.

GOODMAN, THOMAS E.—Admitted on trial, 1914; full membership, 1916; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol, 1916; Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1918.

Holston: Baileyton, 1914-15; Morristown Circuit, 1916; Limestone Circuit, 1917; South Greeneville Circuit, 1918-19; Rogersville, 1920-21; Fall Branch, 1922-24; Surgoinville, 1925-26; Chucky, 1927.

GOSS, MOSES F.—Holston, full membership, 1926, Sevierville Circuit, 1926-27.

GRANT, WAYNE S.—Admitted on trial Holston Conference, 1890;



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full membership, 1892; ordained Deacon by Bishop Foss, 1892; Elder by Bishop Foster, 1894.

Holston: Tazewell Circuit, 1890-92; Big Valley, 1893-96; Chatata Circuit, 1897-99; Loudon, 1900-02; Athens Circuit, 1903-04; Second Church, Knoxville, 1905-08; Bristol District, 1909-10; Inskip and Park City, 1911; Park City, 1912-13; Ridgedale, 1914; Business Manager Advocate-Journal, 1915; Conference Evangelist, half year, pastor Second Church half year, 1916; Loudon, 1917; East Main Avenue, 1918-21; Inskip, 1922-23; retired, 1924. Supply South Knoxville, 1926.

GRAYBEAL, W. A.—Admitted on trial, Blue Ridge Atlantic Conference, 1913; full membership, 1915; ordained Deacon by Bishop Henderson, 1913, under the Seminary rules; Elder by Bishop Hughes, 1917.

Blue Ridge Atlantic Conference: Clyde, 1913-17; Lansing, 1917-19.

Holston Conference: Glenford, 1919-22; Pennington Gap, 1922-23; Gate City, 1924-26; year of rest, 1927.

GREER, WORTH M.—Holston, full membership, 1925; Kingston, 1925; LaFollette, 1926-27.

HAMIL, LORENZO D.—Admitted on trial, Georgia Conference, 1902; full membership, 1904; ordained Deacon by Bishop Foss, 1902; Elder by Bishop Cranston, 1906.

Georgia: Supply Bremen, 1900; Supply Rock Spring, 1901-02; Bremen, 1903; Tallapoosa, 1904-05; Mt. Zion, 1906, Holston; Newcomb, 1907; Clinton, 1908-10; Townsend and Walland, 1911; Lenoir City, 1912; Newport, 1913-14; Ridgedale, 1915-16; Harri-man District, 1917-18; Ridgedale, 1919-20; St. Mark's 1921-23; Bristol, 1924; St. Mark's, 1925-27.

HAMPTON, JOE M.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1920; full membership, 1922; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol, 1922; Elder by Bishop Thirkield, 1924.

Holston: Soddy, 1920-21; Elizabethton, 1922; Alton Park, 1923-24; Jellico, 1925-27.

HARRIS, JOSEPH D.—Admitted on trial, Central Tennessee Conference, 1895; full membership, 1897; ordained Deacon by Bishop Ninde, 1897; Elder by Bishop Ninde, 1899.

Central Tennessee: Bloomington, Monroe, Cliff Springs, Dowelltown, Margart, Baxter District 6 years, Bible teacher in Baxter Seminary for one year.

Georgia Conference: Flint Stone, LaFayette.

Arkansas Conference: Siloam Springs, Rogers.

N. W. Kansas Conference; Portis, McCracken.



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Holston Conference: Rockwood, Alton Park, Vestal, St. Mark's, Ridgedale, and Conference Evangelist; retired, 1927.

HARRIS, WM. K.—Admitted on trial, Blue Ridge Conference, 1898; full membership, 1905; ordained Deacon by Bishop Warren, 1903; Elder by Bishop Fowler, 1905.

Blue Ridge: Student Grant University, 1898-99; Supply Central Tennessee Conference, Sparta and McMinnville, 1900; student Grant University, 1901. Virginia Conference: Eagle Rock, 1902-03. Northwest Kansas Conference: Webber, 1904. Holston: South Knoxville and Asbury, 1905; South Knoxville, 1905-06; Morristown, 1907-08; Second Church, Knoxville, 1909-13; Knoxville District, 1914-19; Etowah, 1920-21; Greeneville, 1922-24; Bristol, 1925-27.

HAWK, HENRY M.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1902; full membership, 1904; ordained Deacon by Bishop Warren, 1904; Elder by Bishop McDowell, 1906.

Holston: Supply Decatur, 1900-01; Chatata, Student, Grant University, 1902-06; Fairmont, 1907; student, Grant University, Kingston, 1908-09; Rockwood, 1910; Clinton, 1911-12; Lonsdale, 1913-17; Lenoir City, 1918-21; Harriman District, 1922-24; Lonsdale, 1925-27.

HOPPER, S. A.—Admitted on trial, Alabama Conference, 1910; ordained Deacon, 1912; ordained Elder, 1914.

Alabama Conference: Bradford Mission, 1911; Prat City, 1912-13, Almond, 1914-15-16; Haleyville, 1917-18. Holston: Coalmont, 1918-20; Sulphur Springs, 1920-22; Mountain City and Butler, 1923; Telford, 1924-25; Parrottsville, 1926-27.

HOUCHINS, C. D.—Admitted on trial, Virginia Conference, 1892; full membership, Holston Conference, 1895; ordained Deacon by Bishop Warren, 1892; Elder by Bishop McDowell, 1904.

Holston: Mendota, 1892; Surgoinville, 1893-95; Bloomingdale, 1896-97. Virginia: Greendale, 1898-99; Rose Hill, 1900-03; New River, 1904. Holston: Well Spring, 1905-07; Andersonville, 1908-09; retired, 1910; Sy., 1914-18; retired, 1919.

HOWELL, DILLARD L.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1912; recognized as a Deacon on Orders from Free Baptist Church, 1911; full membership, 1914.

Holston: Supply Jonesboro, 1911; Jonesboro, 1912; Telford, 1913-14; Bloomingdale, 1915; Telford, 1916-17, Mountain City Circuit, 1918-25; Sulphur Springs, 1926-27.

HUFF, R. M.—Holston, full membership, 1922.

Holston: Asbury, 1922; Sevierville Circuit, 1923-24; left without appointment to attend school, 1925-26; Coalmont, 1927.

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INGLE, A. H.—Admitted on trial, Virginia Conference, 1875; full membership, 1877; ordained by Bishop Ames, 1877; Elder by Bishop Haven, 1879.

Virginia: Washington, 1875-76; Nashville, 1877; Lee, 1878-79; Nickelsville, 1880; Abingdon, 1881-82; Russell, 1883; Abingdon District, 1884-87; Bristol Circuit, 1888; Washington, 1889; Russell, 1890-91; Nickelsville, 1892-93; Scott, 1894-1895; Greendale, 1896-97; Sy., 1889-1901 Russell, 1902; Nickelsville, 1903; Sy., 1904-08; retired, 1909.

JENKINS, DEWEY—Holston, full membership, 1924; Morristown Circuit, 1924; Dandridge, 1925-27.

JOHNSON, WILLIS H.—Holston, full membership, 1927; Marion, 1927.

JONES, DANIEL L.—Holston, 1926; Associate Pastor, First Church, Chattanooga, 1926-27.

KETRON, ALBERT C.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1889; full membership, 1901; ordained Deacon by Bishop Foss, 1899; Elder by Bishop Joyce, 1903.

Holston: student, Grant University, 1899-1901; Supply Alton Park, 1900; Surgoinville, 1901; Fall Branch, 1902-03; Newport, 1904; New Salem, 1905; Hilton, 1906-07; Fall Branch, 1908-09; Roan Mountain, 1910; Sulphur Springs, 1911-13; Chuckey, 1914-15; Bloomingdale, 1916-17; Telford, 1918-19; Oliver Springs, 1920-22; Clinton, 1923; Athens Circuit, 1924-27.

KETRON, SAMUEL G.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1881; full membership, 1883; ordained Deacon by Bishop Andrews, 1881; Elder by Bishop Hurst, 1885.

Holston: Kingsport, 1881-82; Mountain City, 1883; Fall Branch, 1884-85; Johnson City, 1886-87; Kingsport, 1888-89; Greeneville Circuit, 1890; Greeneville District, 1891-97; Bloomingdale, 1898-99; Fall Branch, 1900-02; Bloomingdale, 1903-05; President, Kingsley Seminary, 1906; Fall Branch, 1907; Sulphur Springs, 1908-10; Johnson City District, 1911-16; Kingsport and Fall Branch, 1917-18; Bloomingdale, 1919-20; retired, 1921; supply, Surgoinville, 1923-24; supply, Morristown Circuit, 1925-26; supply Fall Branch, 1927.

KILBURN, ROLLO A.—Holston, 1924; Director Religious Education, Athens School, 1924-27.

KILGORE, L. E.—Admitted on trial, Georgia Conference, 1913; full membership, 1914; ordained Deacon by Bishop Lette, 1914; ordained Elder by Bishop Lette, 1917.

Georgia Conference: Rock Springs, 1913-18; McCaysville, 1919-23.

Holston Conference: Coalmont, 1923-25; Wytheville, 1926-27.

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KIRBY, CHAS. L.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1907; full membership, 1909; ordained Deacon by Bishop Wilson, 1907; Elder by Bishop Anderson, 1911.

Holston: Supply Rutledge, 1906; Rutledge, 1907; Scarborough, 1908-09; Oliver Springs and Oakdale, 1910-11; Well Spring, 1912-14; Vine Grove and Spring City, 1915-17; Lonsdale, 1918; Little River, 1919-21; Fair Garden, 1922; Chestnut Hill, 1923-24; Sevierville Circuit, 1925; Friendsville and Walland, 1926-27.

LAWSON, DAVID T.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1901; full membership, 1903; ordained Deacon by Bishop Joyce, 1903; Elder by Bishop Wilson, 1907.

Holston: Rogersville, 1901; Surgoinville, 1902-03; Morristown Circuit, 1904-09; Greeneville Circuit, 1910-13; Sy., 1914-24; retired, 1925.

LAWSON, J. OLIVER—Holston, full membership, 1927; Surgoinville, 1927.

LAWSON, OTIS A.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1914; full membership, 1916; ordained Deacon by Bishop Frank M. Bristol, 1916; Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1918.

Holston: Fair Garden Supply, 1913; Fair Garden, 1914; Riner, 1915-16; Wytheville, 1917-18; Nickelsville, 1920-21; Glenford, 1922; Hilton, 1923; Limestone, 1924-26; Mountain City Circuit, 1927.

LEONARD, ISAAC B.—Admitted on trial, Virginia Conference, 1901; full membership, 1903; ordained Deacon by Bishop Fowler, 1901; Elder by Bishop Cranston, 1905.

Virginia: Supply Washington, 1900; Elk Garden, 1900; Elk Garden, 1901; Hilton's, 1902-05. Holston: Pattonville, 1906-08; Greendale, 1909-11; Bloomingdale, 1912-13; Greeneville Circuit, 1914-18; Baileyton and Whitehorn, 1919-20; South Greeneville Circuit, 1921; Supernumerary, 1922-23; Chuckey, 1924-26; Morristown Circuit, 1927.

LESLIE, ROBT. L.—Admitted on trial, Virginia Conference, 1896; full membership, 1898; ordained Deacon by Bishop Goodsell, 1898; Elder by Bishop Fowler, 1901.

Virginia: Marion, 1896-97; Russell, 1898; Nickelsville, 1899; Mendota, 1900-01; Pennington Gap, 1902; Washington, 1903-04; Marion, 1905-07. Holston: Greendale, 1907; Burrville and Sunbright, 1908-09; Andersonville, 1910; Surgoinville, 1911; New Salem, 1912; Lenoir City Circuit, 1913; Sy., 1914-16; effective, Maynardville, 1917; Heiskell, 1918; supernumerary, 1919; supply, Heiskell, 1919; retired, 1922.

LUCAS, C. F.—Holston, 1925; Alton Park, 1925-26; Englewood, 1927.

LYNCH, JOHN F.—Admitted on trial 1914, full membership, 1916;

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ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol, 1916; Elder 1919.

Holston: Big Valley, 1911 to 1916; Chestnut Hill, 1917-18; Sevierville Circuit, 1919-22; LaFollette, 1923; Oneida, 1924-27.

MARSHALL, T. O.—Holston, full membership, 1925; Loudon, 1925-26; Pennington Gap, 1927.

MARTIN, WILLIAM C.—Admitted on trial Holston Conference, 1914; full membership, 1916; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol, 1916; Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1918.

Holston Byington, 1914; Crossville, 1915-17; Rockwood, 1918-23; St. Mark's, 1924; Knoxville District, 1925-27.

MATNEY, GREEN W.—Admitted on trial, Blue Ridge Conference, 1891; full membership, 1895; ordained Deacon by Bishop Mallalieu, 1895; Elder by Bishop Wilson, 1907.

Blue Ridge: Brevard, 1893; Highlands, 1894-1900; Marion 1901. Holston: Jonesboro, 1902-05; Parrottsville, 1905-09; Mosheim, 1910-13; Mountain City and Butler, 1914-21; Roan Mountain, 1922-26; Johnson City Circuit, 1927.

McKENZIE, ALBERT B.—

Holston: Newport Circuit, 1896; Graysville, 1897; South Pittsburgh, 1898; Sevierville, 1899-1900; New Salem, 1901; Dandridge, 1902; Chuckey, 1903; Greeneville Circuit, 1904-05; Fall Branch, 1906; Greeneville Circuit, 1907; Lenoir City, 1908; Decatur, 1909; Park City, 1910; Knoxville Circuit, 1911; Loudon, 1912; Oliver Springs, 1913; Friendsville, 1914; Scarboro, 1915; Conference Evangelist, 1916-27.

McKENZIE, HIRAM W.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1889; full membership, 1892; ordained Deacon by Bishop Walden, 1890; Elder by Bishop Foss, 1892.

Holston: Speedwell, 1889; Surgoinville, 1890; Sneedville, 1891; Parrottsville, 1892-93; Erwin, 1894; Mountain City, 1895-96; Erwin, 1897; Watauga, 1898-1900; Surgoinville, 1901-02; Rutledge, 1903-04; Watauga, 1905-06; Surgoinville, 1907-08; Bloomingdale, 1909; Benhams, 1910; Clark Range, 1911-12; Gate City, 1913; Floyd, 1914; Marion, 1915; Pattonville, 1916; retired, 1917.

McNESS, SOLON—Holston, full membership, 1925; Alcoa, 1925; Rockwood, 1926-27.

MELEAR, J. M.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1892; full membership, 1894; ordained Deacon by Bishop Foster, 1894; Elder by Bishop Mallalieu, 1896.

Holston: Carnegie, 1892; Sherman Heights, 1893-95; Athens, 1895-97; Luttrell Street, now Trinity, 1897-1905. West Wisconsin: Baraboo, 1905-07. Northwest Indiana: Frankfort, 1907-11. Kentucky: Lexington, 1911-16. Holston: Editor, Methodist Advocate-Journal, 1916-27.



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MILBURN, JAMES E.—Admitted on trial, 1915; full membership, 1917; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol, 1917; Elder by Bishop Berry, 1922.

Holston: Roan Mountain, 1915; student, 1916; Cleveland Circuit, 1917; Morristown Circuit, 1918; Greeneville, 1919 left without appointment to attend school, 1920-25, Kingsport, 1926-27.

MILLARD, R. M.—Holston, 1925; First Church, Knoxville, 1925-27.

MILLER, CHAS. W.—Admitted on trial, Alabama Conference, 1886; full membership, 1888; ordained Deacon by Bishop Fowler, 1886; Elder by Bishop Fowler, 1888.

South American Mission: Monetoides, 1886-90; Medoza, 1890-93. Alabama Conference. Holston Conference, 1894; Cumberland Gay Circuit, 1895-98; Tazewell Circuit, 1898-99; Professor, Powell's Valley Seminary, 1899-1900; Big Valley, 1900-01; Well Spring, 1901-02; Mingo Mines, 1903; retired, 1904.

MITCHELL, JAMES A.—Admitted on trial, Alabama Conference, 1895; full membership, 1897; ordained Deacon by Bishop Vincent, 1895; Elder by Bishop Goodsell, 1898.

Alabama: Birmingham, 1895-97; Pratt City, 1898-1900; Anniston, 1900-02; Des Moines, 1902. Holston: Epworth, 1903; Crossville, 1904; South Pittsburgh, 1905; Field Agent, University of Chattanooga, 1906; Rockwood, 1907; Greeneville, 1908-12; Johnson City, 1913; Chattanooga District, 1914-21; East Main Ave., 1922-24; Whittle Springs, 1925-27.

MOORE, MARK M.—Holston; full membership, 1925; Asbury, 1925; Byington and Solway, 1926-27.

MORRISON, BENJAMIN M.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1904; full membership, 1906; ordained Deacon by Bishop McDowell, 1906; Elder by Bishop Goodsell, 1908.

Holston: Rogersville, 1904-05; Jonesboro, 1906; Johnson City Circuit, 1907; Roan Mountain, 1908-09; LaFollette, 1910; Kings-ton, 1911-13; Inskip, 1914-15; Lenoir City, 1916-17; Etowah, 1918-19; St. James, 1920-23; Superintendent Good Will Industry, 1924; Red Bank, 1925; Elizabethton, 1926-27.

MURPHY, MICHAEL P.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1901; full membership, 1903; ordained Deacon by Bishop Joyce, 1903; Elder by Bishop McDowell, 1906.

Holston: Morgan Springs, 1901; Epworth, 1902; Dayton and Vine Grove, 1903; Ridgedale, 1904-05; Crossville, 1906; South Pittsburgh, 1907-10; South Knoxville, 1911-12; Sevierville, 1913; Clinton, 1914-16; St. James, 1917; Highland Park, 1918-19; Har-riman District, 1920-21; Chattanooga District, 1922-25; Newport, 1926; East Main Ave., 1927.

MYERS, JOHN H.—Holston, full membership, 1925; Crossville, 1925;



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Maynardville, 1926; Thorn Grove, 1927.

NEWMAN, A. A.—

Kansas: Dresden, 1906. Holston: Newcomb, 1907; Townsend, 1908; Asbury, 1909-10; Parrottsville, 1911-13; Mosheim, 1914-15; Sulphur Springs, 1916; Parrottsville, 1917-19; Chestnut Hill, 1920-22; retired, 1923.

OGLE, E. H.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1920; full membership, 1922; ordained Deacon by Bishop Frank M. Bristol, 1922; Elder by Bishop Smith, 1925.

Cleveland Circuit, 1920-21; Salem, 1922; St. Charles, 1923-24; Townsend, 1925-26; Loudon, 1927.

OLIVER, WILLIAM L.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1905; full membership, 1907; ordained Deacon by Bishop Wilson, 1907; Elder by Bishop Henderson, 1914.

Holston: Supply Oliver Springs, 1899-1900; Andersonville, 1900-02; Supply Sunbright, 1903; Pikeville, 1904-05; Elm Grove and Asbury, 1905-07; South Knoxville, 1907-10; Sevierville, 1910-12; Greeveville, 1923-16; Morristown, 1917-22; Johnson City District, 1923-25; Cleveland, 1926-27.

OSBORNE, JAMES—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1906; full membership, 1911; ordained Deacon by Bishop Vincent, 1898; Elder by Bishop Henderson, 1913.

Holston: Supply 13 years; Maryville Circuit, 1906-08; Graysville Circuit, 1909-10; Whitwell Circuit, 1911-14; Chatata, 1915-17; Vine Grove and Spring City, 1918-19; Graysville, 1920-21; retired, 1922.

PETERS, TIMOTHY V.—Admitted on trial Louisiana Conference, 1908; full membership, 1910; ordained Deacon by Bishop Murrah in 1910; Elder by Bishop Mouzon in 1912.

Louisiana Conference: Slidell, 1908-12; Tallisheek, 1912-15; McDonoville, 1915-16. Holston: Burrville, 1916-18; Clinton, 1918; Harriman, 1919-21; Burrville, 1921-26, Clinton, 1926-27.

PICKERING, WALTER L.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1919; full membership, 1922; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol, 1922.

Holston Conference: Thorn Grove, 1918-19; Jones' Chapel, 1920-21; Etowah, 1922.

Michigan Conference: Jonesville, 1923.

Holston Conference: St. James, 1924-27.

PIPPIN, E. M.—Admitted on trial in Virginia Conference, 1894; full membership, 1899; ordained Deacon by Bishop Mallalieu, 1899; Elder by Bishop Joyce, 1903.

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Virginia Conference: Tazewell, 1894-95; Elk Garden, 1896; Radford, 1897-98. Missouri Conference. Loreda, 1899; Lucerne, 1900-01.

Holston Conference: Alton Park, 1901-02; Cleveland Circuit, 1903; Loudon, 1904-05; withdrew from Church, 1905; readmitted to Holston Conference, 1912; Decatur Circuit, 1912; Athens Circuit, 1913; Jones Chapel, 1914; South Knoxville, 1915; LaFollette, 1916; Byington and Scarboro, 1917; Sy., 1918-20; South Knoxville, 1921-23; Sy., 1924-25; Coalmont, 1926; Maynardville, 1927.

PITTS, WILLIAM F.—Admitted on trial, Georgia Conference, 1895; full membership, 1897; ordained Deacon by Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, 1897; at Tallapoosa, Ga.; ordained Elder by Bishop John W. Hamilton, 1901, at Morristown, Tenn. Record of work.

Georgia: Dunnagan Circuit, Belton, Ga., as a supply, 1894; Ellijay, 1895-98; Spring Place, Dalton, Ga., 1899; LaFayette, 1900.

Holston: Graysville, 1901; East Main Avenue, Knoxville, 1901-08; St. James, Chattanooga, 1908-10; Bristol, 1910-12; Cleveland, 1912-14; Harriman, 1915; Maryville, 1916-17; Johnson City, 1917-23; Athens, 1923-24; Park City, 1925-27.

RAGAN, WILLIAM H.—Admitted on trial, 1914; full membership, 1916; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol, 1916; Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1920.

Holston: Park City, 1914-15; Sevierville, 1916-18; Jellico, 1919-24; left without appointment to attend school, 1925-26; Athens, 1927.

RAMBO, MOSES H.—Admitted on trial, Des Moines Conference, 1900; full membership, 1902; ordained Deacon by Bishop Hamilton, 1902; Elder by Bishop McDowell, 1904.

Des Moines: Supply, Avoca, 1900; Red Oak Circuit, 1901; Vanwert, 1902; Walnut, 1903-05. Holston: Townsend, 1906-07; Beaver Ridge, 1908-09; Sy., 1910; LaFollette, 1911-13; Mountain City Circuit, 1914-16; Bristol District, 1917-21; Jones Chapel, 1922-23; Copper Hill, 1924-26; Lenoir City, 1927.

REED, JACOB F.—Admitted on trial, 1914; full membership, 1916; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol, 1916; Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1918.

Holston: Rogersville, 1914-15; Mosheim, 1916-21; Bristol District, 1922-27.

ROBESON, W. E. O.—Holston, full membership, 1925; Conference Evangelist, 1925-26; Knoxville Circuit, 1927.

ROMINGER, LEWIS A.—Admitted on trial, Blue Ridge Conference, 1886; full membership, 1889; ordained Deacon by Bishop Joyce, 1889; Elder by Bishop Mallalieu, 1895.

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Blue Ridge: Toe River, 1886-87; Burnsville, 1889-91; Boone, 1892; Jefferson, 1893; Toe River, 1894; Culberson, 1895-96; Hayesville, 1899; Unaka, 1900. Holston: Supply, Cleveland Circuit, 1903-04; Jeffreson, 1908-09; Bakersville, 1909-10. Holston; North Athens, 1910; Niota, 1911; McDonald, 1912; Sy., 1913-16; retired, 1917.

ROSE, ALBERT M.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1886; full membership, 1888; ordained Deacon by Bishop Fitzgerald, 1888; Elder by Bishop Ninde, 1891.

Holston: Emert, 1886-87; Ooltewah, 1888; Thorn Grove, 1889-91; Little River, 1892-93; Knoxville Circuit, 1894-96; Ebenezer, 1898-1900; Maryville Circuit, 1901-03; Pigeon Forge, 1904-05; Greeneville Circuit, 1906; Chuckey, 1907-08; Mosheim, 1909; Morristown Circuit, 1910; Fair Garden, 1911; Sy., 1912; Unicoi, 1913; Glenford, 1914; New Tazewell, 1915; retired, 1916.

ROWAN, GEORGE R.—Admitted on trial, Blue Ridge Conference, 1892; full membership, Oklahoma Conference, 1893; ordained Deacon by Bishop Foster, 1892; Elder by Bishop Vincent, 1898.

Holston: Teacher in Aaron Seminary, 1891-93. Oklahoma Conference, 1893-95. Holston: Ducktown, 1895-96; Cleveland, 1896-99; Johnson City, 1899-1900; Baileyton and White horn, 1904-06; Rogersville, 1907; Assistant Pastor, Athens, 1909-11; Assistant Pastor, Englewood, 1912; Sy., 1913-24; retired, 1925.

ROWE, J. FRED—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1913; full membership, Seminary Rule, 1913; ordained Deacon by Bishop Henderson, 1913; ordained Elder by Bishop Henderson, 1915.

Holston Conference: Jefferson City, 1912-13; Pikeville, 1913-15; Elizabethton, 1915-19; Sevierville, 1919-22; Lonsdale, 1922-24; Harriman District, 1925-27.

RUSSELL, WALTER L.—Holston; full membership, 1927; Rose Hill, 1927.

SADLER, C. N.—Admitted on trial, Central Tennessee Conference, 1895; full membership, 1896; ordained Deacon by Bishop Fowler, 1897; Elder by Bishop Goodsell, 1903.

Central Tennesse: Monroe, 1895-96; Red Boiling Springs, 1897-1901; LaFayette, 1902-04; student, Grant University, 1905-07; Supply, Cleveland Circuit, 1906-07; Supply, Litton, 1908. Holston: Withwell, 1909-10; Daisy, 1911-12; Thorn Grove, 1913; Townsend, 1914; West Maryville Circuit, 1915; New Salem, 1916-17; Cleveland Circuit, 1918-19; retired, 1920.

SANDERS, F. P.—Admitted on trial, Central Tennessee Conference, 1903; full membership, 1905; ordained Deacon by Bishop Goodsell, 1903; Elder by Bishop Wilson, 1907.

Central Tennessee: Huntingdon, 1903. South Illinois; Mul-

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berry Grove, 1904. Central Tennessee: Huntingdon, 1905; Holston; Pikeville, 1907; located, 1908; re-admitted, 1910; Friendsville, 1910-13; Little River, 1914-16; Oakwood, 1917-18; Friendsville, 1919-21; Maryville Circuit, 1922-25; leave of absence, 1926; Conference Evangelist, 1927.

SHUPE, GURNEY L.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1916; full membership, 1919; ordained Deacon by Bishop Frank M. Bristol, 1919; Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1922.

Holston: Salem, 1916; Gate City, 1917; Marion, 1918-19; Rose Hill, 1920; Wytheville, 1921-22; Glenford, 1923-24; Riner, 1925-26; Telford, 1927.

SIVILS, M. L.—Admitted on trial, Georgia Conference, 1913; full membership, 1915; ordained Deacon by Bishop Leete, 1915; Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1920.

Georgia: Ellijay, 1914-16; Cedartown, 1917; Epworth, 1918, Holston: Decatur, 1919, Andersonville, 1920; Sunbright and Lancing, 1921; Well Spring, 1922-25; Crossville, 1926; Kingston, 1927.

SLAGLE, DAVID C.—Admitted on trial, Blue Ridge Conference, 1904; full membership, 1907; ordained Deacon by Bishop Spellmyer, 1907.

Blue Ridge: Sylva, 1904; Teresita, 1905-06; Pisgah, 1907; Irwin, 1908. Holston: Jasper, 1909; Auburn, 1910; Riner, 1911; Marion, 1912-13; Sy., 1914; Nickelsville, 1915-16; Thorn Grove, 1917; Friendsville, 1918; Decatur, 1919-20; North Athens, 1921; Chuckey, 1922; Greeneville Circuit, 1923; Mountain City and Butler, 1924-26; Mountain City Circuit, 1926; Kingsport, 1927.

SMITH, WALTER A.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1917; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol, 1920; Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1922.

Holston: Soddy, 1917; St. James, 1918; Highland Park, 1920-22; Cleveland, 1923-25; Chattanooga District, 1926-27.

STAPLETON, ROBT. L.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1899; full membership, 1901; ordained Deacon by Bishop Hamilton, 1901; Elder by Bishop Joyce, 1903.

Holston: Supply, Sherman Heights, 1898; Rockwood, 1899; Newport, 1900-01; Morristown, 1902-04; Alton Park, 1905-06; Jellico, 1907-08; S. S. Missionary, 1909-10; Maryville, 1911-14; Morristown, 1915-16; Johnson City District, 1917-22; Highland Park, 1923-27.

STRANGE, J. S.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1890; full membership, 1892; ordained Deacon by Bishop Ninde, 1891; Elder by Bishop Foster, 1894.

Holston: Emory Gap, 1890; Hamilton, 1891-92; Little River,



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1893-94; Beaver and Lenoir, 1895; Elmyer, 1896; New Salem, 1897-98; Morristown Circuit, 1899-1900; Thorn Grove, 1901-02; Jones Chapel, 1903; Sy., 1904-05; Erie and Chatata, 1906; Loudon, 1907-08; Knoxville Circuit, 1909-10; Beaver Ridge, 1911; Thorn Grove, 1912; Rose Hill, 1913-14; Tellico Plains, 1915; Lenoir City Circuit, 1916; Sy., 1917-20; retired, 1921.

TARPLEY, E. N.—Admitted on trial in Georgia Conference, 1919; full membership, 1921; ordained Deacon by Bishop Richardson, 1921, Elder by Bishop Richardson, 1923.

Georgia Conference: Assistant Pastor, Rock Springs, 1920; Tallapoosa, 1921-25. Holston Conference, 1926; Salem, 1926-27.

TARWATER, CHARLES B.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1918; full membership, 1920; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol, 1920; Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1922.

Holston Conference: Student, Athens School, University of Chattanooga, 1915-16-17; Erie Circuit, 1915-17; Alton Park, 1918-20; Whittle Springs, Knoxville, 1921-24; East Main Ave., 1925-26; Newport, 1927.

TARWATER, OLIVER R.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1907; full membership, 1909; ordained Deacon by Bishop Anderson, 1909; Elder by Bishop Anderson, 1911.

Holston: Manker Memorial, 1907; student, Boston, Mass., 1908; Johnson City, 1909-12; Bristol District, 1913; Trinity, Knoxville, 1914-18; Athens, 1919-22; Morristown, 1923-24; Johnson City, 1925-27.

TAYLOR, CHARLES H.—Admitted on trial, 1914; full membership, 1916; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol, 1916; Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1920.

Holston: Oakdale, 1914-18; Englewood and Tellico Plains, 1919-24; Oakdale, 1925-27.

THAMES, R. H.—Holston, 1927; South Pittsburgh, 1927.

THURSTON, E. C.—Admitted on trial, Georgia Conference, 1908; full membership 1909; ordained Deacon by Bishop Smith, 1909; Elder by Bishop Henderson, 1915.

Georgia: 1908; St. George, 1909; Dunnagan and Simpson, 1910-11; Ellijay, 1912. Holston; Chatata Circuit, 1912-14; Whitwell, 1915; Tracey City, 1916; Well Springs, 1917-18; Dayton, 1919; retired, 1920.

TORREY, H. M.—Admitted on trial, Central Tennessee Conference, 1902; full membership, 1904; ordained Deacon by Bishop Cranstons, 1904; Elder by Bishop McDowell, 1906.  
Central Tennessee: Nashville, 1902-04; Tullahoma, 1905-07; Dickson, 1908-09; Holston: Elizabethton, 1910-11; Rogersville, 1912-13; LaFollette, 1914-15; Newcomb, 1917; Jacksboro Circuit,



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1918; Well Springs, 1919; retired, 1920.

TREUSCHEL, WALTER H.—Holston, 1923; assistant Pastor, First Church, Knoxville, 1923; Sy., 1924-27.

WALKER, RICHARD E.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1904; full membership 1906; ordained Deacon by Bishop Warren, 1904; Elder by Bishop Anderson, 1908.

Holston: Newport Circuit, 1904; Oakland Circuit, 1905-06; Jonesboro, 1907-08; New Salem, 1909-10; Chuckey, 1911-13; Sulphur Springs, 1914-15; Rogersville and Whitehorn, 1916; Baileytown and Whitehorn, 1917-18; Greeneville Circuit, 1919-20; Parrottsville, 1921-25; Baileytown, 1926-27.

WARE, JOSEPH T.—Admitted on trial, Georgia Conference, 1892; full membership, 1894; ordained Deacon by Bishop Ninde, 1894; Elder by Bishop Foss, 1897.

Georgia: Sylvania and Tatnal, 1892; Ellijay, 1893; Cohutta, 1894; Blairsville, 1895; Hiwassee, 1896-98; Ellijay, 1899-1901; Blue Ridge and Mineral Bluff, 1902; Morgantown, 1903. Holston; Little River, 1903; Maryville Circuit, 1904; Andersonville, 1905; Scaraborough, 1906-07; Rutledge, 1908-09; Mountain City and Butler, 1910; Roan Mountain, 1911; Glenford, 1912-13; Cleveland Circuit, 1914; Tracy City, 1915; retired, 1916.

WATSON FREDERICK D.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1911; full membership, 1913; ordained Deacon by Bishop Henderson, 1913.

Holston: Supply, 1910; Mountain City Circuit, 1911; Limestone, 1912; student, 1913; Limestone, 1914; Fall Branch, 1915; student, 1916; Fairview and Fairmont, 1917; Bloomingdale 1918; Elizabethton, 1919; left without appointment to attend school, 1920; Manker Memorial, 1921-22; left without appointment to attend school, 1923; Rockwood, 1924-25; Red Bank, 1926-27.

WILKINSON, WILLIAM D.—Admitted on trial Holston Conference, 1922; full membership, 1924; ordained Deacon by Bishop Thirkield, 1924; Elder by Bishop Thirkield, 1926.

Holston Conference: Student, Athens School, University of Chattanooga, 1918-22; Red Bank, 1918; Knoxville Circuit, 1919-22; Oakwood, 1923-27.

WILLIAMSON, H. G.—Admitted on trial, Holston Conference, 1917; full membership, 1919. Ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol, 1919; ordained Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1923.

Holston: Pikeville, 1917; Soddy, 1918; Loudon, 1919-1921; student in Garrett Biblical Institute, 1921-23; Sevierville, 1923-24; Ridgedale, 1925; Holston Conference Director of Religious Education, 1926-27.

WINKLER, E. J.—Admitted on trial, Blue Ridge Conference, 1885;

full membership, 1888; ordained Deacon by Bishop Walden, 1886; Elder by Bihsop Fitzgerald, 1888.

Blue Ridge: Creston, 1885; Boone, 1886; Forsythe, 1887-88; Red Hill, 1889; Coast District, 1890-91; Greensboro District, 1892-93; Clyde District, 1894; Sy., 1895-96; Wilkesboro, 1897-98; Rose Land, 1899; Boone and Bakersville, 1900-03; Kings Mountain, 1905; Gladstone, 1906. Columbia River: Davenport, 1907-08. Georgia: Dunnagan and Simpson, 1909. Holston: Chatata, 1910; Cleveland Circuit, 1911; Chestua, 1912; retired, 1913.

WINSLOW, WALTER C.—Admitted on trial, 1914; full membership, 1916; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol, 1916; Elder by Bishop Bristol, 1918.

Holston: Bloomingdale, 1914; Limestone, 1915; student, 1917; Fall Branch Circuit, 1918; Fordtown, 1919-20; Fall Branch, 1921; Mosheim, 1922-27.

WOODWARD, GEORGE W.—Admitted on trial Holston Conference, 1920; full membership, 1922; ordained Deacon by Bishop Bristol, 1922; Elder by Bishop Thirkield, 1924. Holston: Hilton, 1922; Floyd, 1923-27.

WOODWARD, E. O.—Supply, Mountain Lake Park, and Albright, two years. West Virginia Conference: Albright, 1904-06; Newberg, 1906-08; Pennsboro and Cairo, 1908-10. Holston, St. James, Chattanooga, 1910-11; East Main Ave., Knoxville 1912; Roanoke, 1913; Bristol District, 1914-16; Greeneville, 1917-18; Kingsport, 1919-25; Johnson City District, 1926-27.

WRENN, CHARLES G.—Holston, full membership, 1923. Left without appointment to attend school, 1923-27.

YOUNG, H. H.—Holston, 1920.

Professor of Religious Education, University of Chattanooga, 1920; Professor of Religious Education, University of Puget Sound, 1921-24; left without appointment to attend school, 1925-27.

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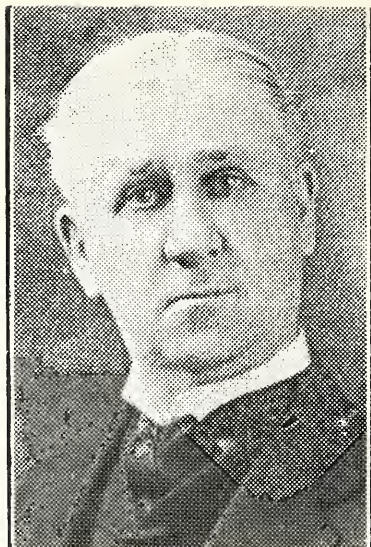


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Presiding Bishop

## PRELIMINARY MEETINGS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18

9:00 A. M. Examinations in the Conference Course of Study and for Candidates for Deacons' Orders and for Admission on Trial.

Dr. Arlo A. Brown, Chairman.

7:30 P. M. Church Auditorium. Informal Reception to Conference and Guests by Knoxville Methodism. Richard M. Millard, Pastor of First Methodist Church, Presiding.

Music by Trinity Choir

Words of Welcome—

First Church—Judge John Jennings, Jr.  
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Response by Bishop Wilbur P. Thirkield, D. D. LL. D.,  
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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19

OPENING SERVICE OF THE HOLSTON CONFERENCE  
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8:30 A. M. Worship, led by Bishop Wilbur P. Thirkield

NOTE: "Let all the people bow in silent prayer on entering the sanctuary." (Discipline Par. 72).

Call to Worship:

Minister: The Lord is in His Holy Temple.

People: Let all the earth keep silence before Him.

Minister: He is not far from any one of us.

People: Let us worship Him in spirit and in truth.

Minister: O come let us worship and bow down.

People: Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.

Hymn 207—"The Church's One Foundation"—led by the Conference Choir.

Meditation—"Wesley's Advice on Deportment at Conference"—Discipline Par. 140-141- Bishop Thirkield.

Prayer

Congregational Prayer for the Conference Session:

"Oh Lord of Heaven and Earth, who hast promised to reveal Thy glory by Jesus Christ among all nations; remember, we beseech Thee, Thy Holy Church throughout the world. Especially do Thou send now Thy blessing upon this Conference assembled in Thy name. Grant unto Thy servants the spirit of power, and of love, and of sound mind, that we may be wise in council and diligent in service, faithful stewards of the things belonging to Thy Kingdom, and worthy successors of the Apostles whom our Lord sent forth to testify of Him. Direct and govern us by the Holy Spirit, preserving us from hasty judgment and vain dispute, inspiring us with hearty love and true devotion, and guiding us both to devise and do those things which shall be for the glory of Christ's name, for the welfare of His Church, for the peace of all believers, for the spread of the Gospel, and for the good of the whole world. Amen."

Hymn 197—"Spirit of God, descend upon my heart."

Responsive Reading from the Psalter

The Gloria Patri

The New Testament Lesson

Hymn 196—"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"—Conference Hymn of Consecration.

The Ten Commandments— with Choral Response, Hymn 738.

The Holy Communion

Memorial Service

Address—Rev. H. M. Hawk.

Hymn 430—"For All the Saints Who From Their  
Labors Rest."

Conference Foreword—"The Annual Conference, a Mount  
of Vision."—Bishop Thirkield.

Organization of the Conference—

Composite Report of District Superintendents.

12:30 P. M. Lunch and Fellowship Hour in Church Dining Room.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

1:30 P. M. Statistical Session

2:00 P. M. Missionary Sermon, "The Modern Missionary Motive"—  
Dr. Charles A. Briggs, Pastor of First Methodist Epis-  
copal Church, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

2:45 P. M. Conference Session

3:30 P. M. Hour of Prophecy and Evangelism. Address, "The Evan-  
gelistic Preacher,"—Dr. F. Watson Hannon, D. D., Pro-  
fessor of Homiletics, Drew Theological Seminary, Madi-  
son, New Jersey.

5:30 P. M. Fellowship Dinner

Drew Banquet. Dr. Hannon, Guest of Honor.

#### EVENING SESSION

7:30 P. M. Devotions—Rev. Noel H. Cardwell, Pastor of Methodist  
Episcopal Church, Morristown, Tennessee

Address, "The Evangelistic Message"—Dr. Hannon.

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20

#### MORNING SESSION

8:30 A. M. Devotional Hour. Great Hymns led by the Conference  
Choir each day.

Address, "The Hymnal as First Aid in Evangelism"—  
Bishop Thirkield.

Business Session

11:30 A. M. Inspirational Hour. Hymns led by the Conference Choir  
each day.

Address, "The Wonder of the Word"—Dr. Henry H.  
Crane, Pastor of Centre Methodist Episcopal Church,  
Malden, Massachusetts.

12:30 P. M. Fellowship Lunch

University of Chattanooga Luncheon. President Arlo A.  
Brown. Guest of Honor.

## AFTERNOON SESSION

- 2:00 P. M. Address, "Our Advocate"—Dr. J. M. Melear, Editor of the Southeastern Christian Advocate, Athens, Tennessee
- 2:30 P. M. Business Session
- 3:30 P. M. Hour of Prophecy and Evangelism. Address, "The Paradox of Power"—Dr. Crane.
- 5:30 P. M. Fellowship Dinner  
Tennessee Wesleyan Banquet. President James L. Robb,  
Guest of Honor.

## EVENING SESSION

- 7:30 P. M. Devotions—Rev. W. L. Oliver, Pastor of Methodist Episcopal Church, Cleveland, Tennessee.  
Address, "The Challenge to World Tasks"—Dr. R. J. Wade,  
Executive Secretary of World Service Agencies of  
Methodist Episcopal Church, Chicago.

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

### MORNING SESSION

- 8:45 A. M. Devotional Hour. Address, "The Minister and His Motive"  
—Bishop Thirkield.  
Business Session
- 11:30 A. M. Inspirational Hour. Address, "The Marks of a Christian"  
—Dr. Crane.
- 12:30 P. M. Fellowship Lunch

### AFTERNOON SESSION

- 2:00 P. M. "Thirkield Hour"  
Joint Session of Ministers, Laymen, and Women's Missionary Societies.  
Address of Appreciation—Dr. Arlo A. Brown  
Response by Bishop Thirkield  
Business Session
- 3:30 P. M. Discussion of Proposed Pension Plan led by Dr. J. R. Gettys, Board of Pensions and Relief, Chicago.
- 5:30 P. M. Laymen's Dinner. Mr. A. M. Hill, President of Laymen's Association of Holston Conference, Knoxville, Tennessee, Presiding.  
Address, "Religious Education"—Dr. William S. Bovard,  
Secretary of the Board of Education of Methodist Episcopal Church, Chicago.

### EVENING SESSION

- Laymen's Program
- 7:30 P. M. Devotions  
Report of Committees  
Duet—Rev. Joseph Hampton and Mrs. Lelia Hampton Leslie  
Address—"The Achievements and the Outlook of the Temperance Movement"—Dr. Clarence True Wilson, Secretary of Board of Temperance, Prohibition, and Public Morals, Washington, D. C.

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

### MORNING SESSION

- 8:30 A. M. Devotional Hour  
Address, "The Path of God"—Dr. Harris Franklin Rall,  
D. D., Professor of Systematic Theology, Garrett Biblical  
Institute, Evanston, Illinois.
- 12:30 P. M. Fellowship Luncheon  
Murphy Collegiate Institute Luncheon. President H. A.  
Davee, Guest of Honor.
- 5:30 P. M. Fellowship Dinner  
Garrett Biblical Institute Banquet. Dr. Rall, Guest of Honor

### EVENING SESSION

- 7:30 P. M. Devotions—Rev. H. G. Williamson, Conference Director of  
Religious Education.
- 7:40 P. M. Address, "The Challenge of Youth"—Dr. M. J. Trenery,  
Department of Church Schools, Chicago.
- 8:10 P. M. Address, "The Present World and Our Present Gospel"  
—Stanley High, Board of Foreign Missions, New York  
City.

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

### MORNING SESSION

- 9:15 A. M. Conference Love Feast led by Rev. M. C. Bruner
- 10:30 A. M. Conference Sermon—Bishop Wilbur P. Thirkield

### AFTERNOON SESSION

- 3:00 P. M. Ordination Service
- 4:00 P. M. Address, "Methodism's Opportunity"—Bishop R. J. Cooke,  
D. D., LL. D.

### EVENING SESSION

- 6:30 P. M. Epworth League Union Meeting  
Address, "Around the World with Jesus Christ"—Stanley  
High
- 7:30 P. M. Mass Meeting of Holston Conference Leagues. Mr. L. W.  
Rhoaes, President Holston Conference Epworth Leagues,  
Presiding.  
Address, "The Unspanked Generation"—Dr. W. E. J.  
Gratz, Editor of Epworth Herald, Chicago.  
Address, "A Word of Final Challenge"—Stanley High.

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 24

- 8:30 A. M. Devotional Address, "Power for Our Task"—Bishop Thir-  
kield.  
Business Session, with the Reading of Appointments.



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8:45 A. M. Devotional Address of Bishop Thirkield in joint session with Ministers and Missionary Societies. First M. E. Church.

(Adjourn to meet at Church Street M. E. Church, South, for Layman's Meeting.)

9:30 A. M. Devotions led by Chas. G. Baker

9:45 A. M. Election of Lay Delegates to General Conference

1:00 P. M. Report of President, A. M. Hill, Knoxville, Tenn.

Report of Vice-Presidents

Bristol District—F. R. Wickham, Cambria, Va.

Chattanooga District—Wallace E. Miller, Athens, Tennessee.

Harriman District—I. N. Barnett, Rockwood, Tenn.

Johnson City District—Lesley Bewley, Mosheim, Tenn.

Knoxville District—Chas. G. Baker, Knoxville, Tenn.

Report of Secretary—R. H. Burkhart, Johnson City, Tenn.

Report of Treasurer—J. A. Grigsby, White Horn, Tenn.

2:00 P. M. "Thirkield Hour"—In joint session with Ministers

3:00 P. M. Election of Officers for ensuing year  
Appointment of Committees

6:00 P. M. Laymen's Dinner

Jellico-Wesley Male Quartette

Address by Dr. W. S. Bovard: "Religious Education"

7:30 P. M. Devotions

Report of Committees

Duet—Rev. Hampton and Mrs. Lelia Hampton Leslie

Address—Dr. Clarence True Wilson

Program of Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies

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- 8:45 A. M. Address, "The Minister and His Motive" (To Graduating Class from Conference Course of Study). Joint Session with Ministers and Laymen, at the First Methodist Episcopal Church.
- 10:00 A. M. Joint Meeting of Societies in Young Women's Christian Association.
- Address, "Jonah, the Missionary, Up To Date"—Dr. Henry H. Crane, Pastor of Centre Methodist Episcopal Church, Malden, Massachusetts.
- 10:45 A. M. Round Table Discussion. General Theme—"A Forward Look."
- 11:45 A. M. Noon Devotionals
- 12:00 M. Missionary Luncheon
- 2:00 P. M. "Thirskield Hour". Joint Session with Ministers and Laymen, with Words of Appreciation by Representatives of Each of the Organizations, Response—Bishop Thirskield.

MINISTERS' WIVES

The Wives of the Methodist Ministers of Knoxville Will Entertain the Wives of the Ministers of the Conference at a Buffet Luncheon at the Home of Reverend and Mrs. Richard M. Millard, 2705 Park View Avenue, Saturday, October Twenty-second, Twelve Thirty O'clock.